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FOREWORD

Several years ago Platte Presbytery requested the compiler, as Committee on Presbyterial History and Stated Clerk, to prepare a History of the Presbytery, and ultimately it appropriated two hundred dollars towards the expense. The gathering of material was begun at once, and extra copies of the first "form," which was printed about two years ago, were largely distributed to aid in the work. Repeated periods of ill health have delayed the work, with the advantage of making it more complete. During this delay, the scope of the history has been enlarged to include all Presbyterian work in this section, and up to date, so that the secondary title of the book most fully and correctly gives its character.

Most of the material has been obtained by a very extensive correspondence. No pains have been spared to secure accuracy in the statements. One error occurs on the thirteenth page, in the fourth line, where "sixteen" should be "nine." Names, figures and facts easily obtainable from published Minutes have not been

largely used, but chiefly such as are not ordinarily accessible.

This work seeks to cultivate, in the entire membership of our churches, an intelligent interest in the history and prosperity of their own church, and thus incite them to a fuller consecration and a more loyal devotion to the Divine Master in the great work of bringing every human heart to know experimentally the power of His great salvation. He recognizes and holds dear the humble worker equally with those set apart to lead or to rule.

This work, carried forward only as the time and strength not required by regular duties have permitted, has been, to the compiler, a labor of love. That it may be useful is the only reward he seeks.

Parkville, Mo., December, 1909.

HISTORY

OF

PLATTE PRESBYTERY.

INTRODUCTORY.

This little book aims to give not only some account of Platte Presbytery since its organization in 1870, but also and more especially the "beginnings of Presbyterianism" in connection with the Presbyteries of upper Missouri, Lexington, Barnett and Platte A, previous to that date, in the territory embraced in the bounds of that Presbytery. What that territory is will appear from the following extract from a brief history of Platte Presbytery, by Rev. Dr. E. B. Sherwood, published in 1888:

PLATTE PRESBYTERY took its name from the Platte river which rises in the State of Iowa and crosses into Missouri in the county of Nodaway, and runs through Nodaway, Andrew, Buchanan and Platte into the Missouri river. This Presbytery includes the 19 northwestern counties of the State of Missouri, and is bounded on the north by the State of Iowa, on the west by the states of Nebraska and Kansas, on the south by the Missouri river to where the Grand river empties into the Missouri, thence North on the east boundary of the counties of Carroll, Livingston, Grundy and Mercer to the Iowa line. This Presbytery is a child of the union of the Old and New School divisions of the Presbyterian Church. The United General Assembly that met in Philadelphia in May 1870 ordered the United Synod of Missouri to meet in St. Louis on July 7th, 1870, and fix

the boundaries of the Presbyteries and the names thereof. The Synod of Missouri did then and there assemble and passed the following order:

"The Presbytery of Platte is hereby to consist of the ministers and churches in the counties of Mercer, Harrison, Worth, Nodaway, Atchison, Holt, Andrew, Gentry, DeKalb, Daviess, Grundy, Livingston, Caldwell, Clinton, Buchanan, Platte, Clay, Ray and Carroll."

The Presbytery of Upper Missouri, as originally constituted, covered this territory and no more; while the Presbytery of Lexington included also several counties south of the Missouri. The Cumberland Presbyteries of Barnett and Platte also covered this territory, wholly or in part, as will be noted later.

To avoid possible confusion, a brief notice will here be given of an earlier Platte Presbytery, obtained from a valuable manuscript "History of the Presbytery of Upper Missouri," written in 1900 by its Stated Clerk, Rev. Oscar W. Gauss.

At its fall meeting in 1857, the newly-erected Synod of Upper Missouri set off the six northwestern counties of this state, Andrew, Atchison, Buchanan, Holt, Nodaway and Platte (the "Platte Purchase") as Platte Presbytery. It existed till 1864 when the General Assembly (O. S.) re-attached it to the Presbytery of Upper Missouri, and then re-attached that to the Synod of Missouri, the Synod of Upper Missouri having become disintegrated by the loss of a quorum of Presbyteries.

As it may be satisfactory to have a glimpse of the earliest general history of Presbyterianism in this state, the following abstract, taken from Rev. Dr. John B. Hill's history of the Presbytery of Kansas City (p.p. 12, 13) is given.

By order of the Synod of Tennessee, "the Presbytery of Missouri was duly constituted at St. Louis on Thursday, December 18, 1817, consisting of Rev. Timothy Flint, Rev. John Matthews, Rev. Salmon Giddings, Rev. Thomas Donnell and elders from the Concord, Bonhomme, St. Louis and Buffalo churches."

This Presbytery covered not only Missouri, but also the western two-thirds of Illinois. In October, 1828, it was transferred by the General Assembly to the care of the Synod of Indiana. In January, 1829, the Illinois ministers and churches were set off as the Presbytery of Kaskaskia. In September, 1831, the Presbytery of Missouri was divided by the Synod of Illinois (to which it had been transferred) into three Presbyteries, St. Louis, St. Charles and Missouri, the latter covering all the State west of the other two. "For some years after the general disruption of 1837, the Missouri Presbyterians remained united and declined to connect with either Assembly. But at last, in 1840, the division came. The civil courts gave to the Old School Synod of Missouri the records and the succession."

The following ecclesiastical history (given here because it does not appear in Dr. Hill's book) antedating and connected with the first Presbyterian work done in our territory, has been kindly and painstakingly furnished by Rev. W. O. H. Perry, Stated Clerk of Platte Presbytery A.

The godly women of Kentucky connected with the Cumberland Synod sent the first Home Missionary, Rev. Robert D. Morrow, D.D., to Missouri about the year 1817. McGee Presbytery, organized in 1819, embraced a part of Illinois and the whole of Missouri, and extended westward indefinitely. "The Cumberland Synod in session at Russellville, Ky., on the third Tuesday in November, 1827, passed the order to organize Barnett Presbytery." It included the Platte Purchase, the tier of counties adjoining it on the east, with Ray and Caldwell and some territory south of the Missouri. It met at Lexington on the third Tuesday in April, 1828 and the opening sermon was preached by Rev. Samuel King, one of the founders of the Church. Rev. R. D. Morrow was elected Moderator. The ministers present besides the two just named were Daniel Patton and Henry Renick. The elders were William Jack and Andrew Robertson.

"Missouri Synod, in session at the home of John M. Bell in Chariton County (probably near Keytesville) October 18, 1844, ordered Platte Presbytery to

be formed out of Barnett." It comprised the Platte Purchase and the adjoining territory drained by the Platte river. It met at Miller's School House, in Platte County, April 11, 1845, and was opened by Rev. Hugh R. Smith. Rev. Wm. T. Lewis was chosen Moderator. The above ministers and Jesse R. Allen, Henry Eppler and John Price were present, together with elders John Bigham, of Bee Creek Church, Abijah Means, of Rock House Church, and Joab Schultz.

"August 23, 1872, Platte Presbytery, in session at Flag Springs, Andrew County, appointed Rev. F. M. Miller, Rev. O. D. Allen and Elder A. D. Capps a committee to arrange for the union of Barnett and Platte Presbyteries." (Barnett then included only Ray, Clay and Caldwell counties and a part of Clinton.) These came before the Synod of Missouri, (to whose minutes I have no access) that fall, and evidently the desired action was taken.

Any one desiring to have the ecclesiastical history of this period more at length will find it given in Dr. Hill's History of the Presbytery of Kansas City. In passing on, only very little notice will be taken of the ecclesiastical distinctions and divisions that existed during this early period, for in the final outcome the work done has, on the whole, become inextricably and happily blended together.

1826-40.

All religious work in this territory was very unfavorably and seriously affected by the coming in of the Mormons after their expulsion from Jackson County in 1833, as they then scattered themselves over the easternmost counties, Carroll, Clay, Clinton, Daviess, Livingston, Ray and Caldwell, especially the last named, in which nearly four out of the five thousand inhabitants were Mormons at the time of their final expulsion from the State in 1838-9, when they removed to Nauvoo, Ill.

The opening up of the "Platte Country" in 1837 to settlement started a heavy tide of immigration into this whole country, mainly from Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia. This swept not only up the Missouri into the newly opened section, but also into the Grand River country. At that time the Grand River was navigable for a long distance and was utilized by the settlers as a public highway. The high character of these settlers for morality and intelligence is indicated by the numerous churches they organized and their early founding of colleges, as that at Richmond and the Grand River College five miles from Trenton, and the Sugar-tree Grove academy in Clay County.

The earliest settlements in our territory were very naturally made along the Missouri, notably in Clay County, both because it was the farthest section open to settlement, and also because the military post at Fort Leavenworth, which was established in 1827, furnished a near market for its produce. Hence we find that the only two Presbyterian churches organized during this period in our territory of which we have any satisfactory record, were both located in Clay County.

To our Cumberland brethren belongs the honor of organizing the first church and congregation in our territory, called Lebanon. "Among the early pioneers sent by the women of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Kentucky came the Rev. Robert D. Morrow,

D. D., a man of power, filled with the Spirit. On June 3, 1826, he organized, at the home of Rev. Henry Weeden, the Lebanon congregation of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, which came under the care of Barnett Presbytery. The original membership was twenty-seven. A log meeting house, nearly in the form of a Maltese cross, and afterwards used as Sugar-tree Grove Academy, was built on a part of the farm then known as 'Weeden's Campground.' It was located about two miles north and about three-fourths of a mile west of the north end of the present 'Milwaukee railroad' bridge. The membership being greatly depleted by deaths and removals, the organization was moved into Platte county, to Second Creek, about two miles southeast of Linkville, and the name changed accordingly. In connection with three other denominations they built a large, commodious brick church, forty by sixty feet, on a ten acre tract designed for camping and a cemetery.

"Campmeetings had been held annually from the first organization and were continued at the latter place for a number of years. At both camp grounds, members, filled with a holy evangelistic zeal, built log cabins into which they came with their families, remaining while the meeting lasted, and feeding and lodging the multitude." When one camp meeting was over the preachers would go to hold another at some point waiting for them.

(It is not known by every one that camp meetings are a Presbyterian institution, originated, it is said, by Rev. James McGready, in 1796, in Kentucky. They were the great evangelizing agency of that day and eminently adapted to both the state of the country and the habits of the people.)

"Again weakened by deaths and removals, the organization was moved to Barry in 1859, and the name changed accordingly. The present house was dedicated November 13, 1859, the dedicatory sermon being preached by Rev. George S. Woodward, pastor of the Parkville Presbyterian Church, and the dedicatory prayer offered by Rev. G. L. Moad, the pastor, through

whose labor and influence the house was built. The services were continued fifteen days and nights, Brother Woodward doing the preaching, and resulted in seventeen conversions and additions. Revival services have been held almost annually since the church was dedicated, the last being in August, 1906, when fourteen were received on profession."

From the above our readers will not be surprised at some facts yet to be given. The following six of its members entered the ministry: Benjamin Musick, Thomas Harmon Hardwick, C. A. Davis, Charles B. Hodges, Joseph Clark and Caleb Weeden. The first carried the Gospel to Oregon in 1848 or 1849. The second served in mission work in St. Louis and is believed to have established the first Cumberland Presbyterian church in Alton, Ill., about 1850, later removing to Texas, where he died. Rev. C. A. Davis, established the first permanent Cumberland Presbyterian church in Memphis Tenn., and died at his post of duty during an epidemic of yellow fever, refusing to leave his people. Charles B. Hodges, after years of service near home, established and built up the first Cumberland Presbyterian church in Nebraska City, Neb., and after aiding others in Nebraska and Kansas, removed to Texas, where he died in the harness a few years ago.

"A Union Sabbath School was organized in Barryon the second Sabbath in March, 1860, with Dan Carpenter as superintendent and Thomas S. Pratt (Baptist) as assistant. The Baptists and the Methodists (South) each had an organization and monthly preaching in the church, and for several years were equally interested in the Sabbath School. But deaths and removals caused the dissolution of both of these organizations, when the Sabbath School was made Cumberland Presbyterian in name, though it always continued unsectarian. For seventeen years it was a 'summer' school, continuing from March to November, but since then it has been 'evergreen.' About 250 of the scholars have united with the various churches, and six have become superintendents of other schools. One is doing good work as a minister of the M. E. Church (South)."

In the eighty years of its existence this church has been served by Robert D. Morrow, Henry Weeden, Caleb Weeden, Samuel King, Henry Rennick, John Linville, Daniel Patton, Hugh R. Smith, Jesse R. Allen, Thos. Allen, C. A. Davis, Chas B. Hodges, G. L. Moad, O. D. Allen, Robert D. Miller, Walter Schenck, M. B. Irvine, John G. Fackler, J. Harvey Norman, James Froman, Chas. B. Powers, S. T. Divinia, S. H. Murray, R. B. Ward and D. M. Boyer.

The following is a list of the elders: Benjamin Gragg, Samuel Tilford, Joseph Clark, Samuel Hodges, John McKissick, Thos. Stokes, P. A. Hardwick, John Stokes, John Gragg, Dan Carpenter, Horace L. Moore, Albert Tillery, Henry R. Davis, James M. Barnes, Andrew Loughrey, Jacob R. Funk, G. W. Thompson, G. C. Martin, Frank R. Chambers and Frank P. Chedester.

The charter members were Thos. Adams, Polly Adkins, Cicero Brown, Elizabeth Brown, Jane Burns, Jeremiah Burns, Esther Davis, Harmon Davis, Charles English, Jane English, Jonathan English, Polly English, Rebecca English, Edna Fox, Nancy Frost, Benjamin Gragg, Anna Harris, Matilda Linville, John McKissick, Patsy McKissick, David Magill, David P. Magill, Sally Magill, Wm. Malott, Edna Weeden, Henry J. Weeden and Sarah Whitson.

The preceding information has been furnished by Elder Dan Carpenter, who has been Clerk of Session and Treasurer for forty-seven years, as well as Superintendent of the Sabbath School for the same period, and for the last five years of a flourishing country Sabbath School which meets in the afternoon. He is still active in every good work, in which his no less devoted wife, Mrs. Pauline Gash Carpenter, has been for over fifty years equally efficient as co-worker. He is widely known in all the country, both as a successful business man and as an untiring, self-sacrificing Christian worker, and might well be called the "people's minister," for he has officiated at over two hundred funerals. He was born at Hanging Rock, O., March 7, 1825, and began business as a merchant at Randolph,

Mo., in 1845, removing in 1847 to Barry, which has since been his home.

Of the wealth of biographical sketches of the "worthies" of this church furnished by Elder Carpenter, a few (only a few because of lack of room) will be given to show the material that made up this church which, while never strong numerically or financially, has weathered adversity and been a mighty power for good. These sketches have been largely condensed and so much of interest necessarily omitted.

Miss Margaret Gregg (familiarly known as "Aunt Peggy"), daughter of Harmon Gregg, a Pennsylvanian of Scotch-Irish descent, was born in Tennessee, July 31, 1801. She was brought early to Missouri, where her parents, for protection, lived in Cooper's Fort, and where she saw Capt. Cooper killed by the Indians. She was married in Howard county, October 9, 1821, to Capt. Philip A. Hardwicke, a well known and efficient officer in the early Indian wars, who settled in 1824 near "Weeden's Campground," and was received in 1828 into the Lebanon Church, which he served efficiently and faithfully as elder from 1843 till his death, April 22, 1851. After training up her ten children, Mrs. Hardwicke "again took up her work in the service of the Master," and was called to her reward November 29, 1892, after sixty-two years of service in the Lebanon Church. "Her whole life was a living epistle to be read by all those who came within the range of her influence."

Benjamin Gragg, the first elder of Lebanon Church, was born in Cooke county, Tenn., December 28, 1791, came to Missouri in 1819 and to Clay county in 1822. A soldier under Gen. Jackson in the war of 1812, he enlisted under the banner of the cross in 1823 and served most faithfully for forty-eight years—till his death, June 30, 1871. His younger brother, John, born February 11, 1810, who came to Missouri when he did, also became an elder in the Lebanon Church, serving till his death, July 28, 1881. These brothers "were pillars of strength and wisdom who largely bore up and carried forward the work all their years, adorning their lives with a holy conversation and pure walk.

To them, especially John, in connection with Rev. G. L. Moad, belongs the honor of building the church in Barry and giving it the impetus of whatever success it may have had in the Master's cause." Both were men of unusual intelligence, especially in the Scriptures and Christian doctrine, broad-minded, and in close touch "with all the pioneer ministers of all the churches in the West." Both their wives were a "present help in every time of need and trouble."

Their sister, Mahala Gragg, who died February 19, 1895, aged over eighty-one years, and after sixty-one years of service for the Master, "was an almost universal nurse in sickness among her neighbors, exemplifying pure and undefiled religion by visiting the fatherless and widows in their affliction and keeping herself unspotted from the world."

Samuel Hodges, born in Norfolk county, Va., in 1789, came to Fulton county, Ky., in 1810. He served as a minute man in the war of 1812, and married Miss Nancy Cain in 1822. To them were born two daughters and five sons, three of whom measured six feet six inches in height. All were ardent Cumberland Presbyterians, and one, Charles B. (already mentioned), a well known and popular minister. In 1851 the family came to Platte county and settled near where Linkville now stands. He served as elder many years—till his death in 1875. In 1876, his children, with a number of others, built a church in Linkville.

Joseph D. Gash was born near Asheville, N. C., November 4, 1797, and on September 17, 1822, married Miss Eliza Killian, of Hendersonville, N. C., who was born March 3, 1801. Having entered a large body of land in Clay county in 1824, they moved here in 1831, and soon united with Lebanon Church by letter. "They built comfortable cabins at both camp grounds, entertained freely and were earnest workers for the Master during their entire lives, and liberal in their support of the church in all its work. Ministers were hospitably entertained and often preached in their home before churches were built. They were staunch Presbyterians, training their children well." Their daugh-

ter, Mrs. Mary A. George, who died November 18, 1906, aged eighty-four years, has the record of sixty-five years and three months of faithful Christian service in connection with this church.

The first regular Presbyterian Church in our territory was organized at Liberty, Clay county. Happily the complete records of that church are in existence.

"On the 29th day of August, 1829, a number of persons convened in a grove in the west part of Liberty, Mo., and after a sermon, notice having been previously given for that purpose, they presented themselves and were organized into a church, as follows:

"Rev. Hiram Chamberlain, of the Presbytery of Missouri, presided, aided by Rev. N. B. Dodge, of the Harmony Mission. Letters were received in testimony of the qualifications of the following, viz.: Archibald McIlvaine and wife, Mrs. Hannah McIlvaine, James McWilliams and Mary his wife, Walter Davis and Margaret his wife, William Modrel, Margaret Ward, Hannah Thompson, Isabella Moore and Jane P. Looney and her daughter, Polly W. Looney. The following persons were admitted on examination, they having been members of Presbyterian churches and removing without letters, viz.: Robert Elliott and Sarah his wife, and Mrs. Mary Long. After these examinations were made, the following covenant was read to the members present and solemly assented to by them: Having professed your sincere belief of the Holy Scriptures; your firm faith in the adorable Trinity; your hopes of pardon through Christ your Redeemer, you, and each one of you, do now in the presence of God and before these witnesses, enter into solemn covenant with this church that you will submit yourselves to its government and ordinances; that you will pray for its peace and enlargement; that you will study to promote its edification; that you will make the Word of God your constant rule of faith and practice; that you will most earnestly endeavor to walk in all the ways of the Lord blameless; and that by a pure conversation and by holy living you will seek to convince the world of the superior excellence of our holy religion and try

to win them over to the service of Jesus Christ. Do you thus covenant and promise?

"Having given their solemn assent, the members were then informed that they were authorized to elect their church officers, and after an address to the throne of grace imploring Divine direction, the following persons were declared duly elected: Robert Elliott, James McWilliams and William Modrel. Notice was given that the elders-elect would be ordained on the morrow, and services were closed by singing and prayer. The church met on August 30th, and after sermon the elders-elect were set apart and ordained according to the form of government of the Presbyterian Church.

"Attest: H. CHAMBERLAIN,
"Moderator."

Mr. Chamberlain was the first pastor, and the church has since been served by the following ministers: John L. Yantis, Wm. Dickson, J. M. Inskeep, R. H. Allen, J. C. Thornton, John G. Fackler, John Hancock, Robert Scott, David Coulter, John P. Foreman, J. L. Caldwell, E. McNair, John N. McFarlane, Wm. Frost Bishop and J. J. Hill.

The full roll of elders, in addition to the three named above, is as follows: Allen Denny, Joseph Clark, William T. Wood, William Inskeep, Thomas Sublette, Edward M. Samuel, Greenup Bird, C. C. Trabue, James T. Marsh, M. D., William Webb, John A. Denny, A. M. Chase, Lewis B. Dougherty, James Love, James Robb, Ambrose M. Griffith, John J. Gaw, A. C. Courtney, W. L. Trimble, Morton Marsh, Prof. John Staley, Prof. E. J. Scott, George W. Herbold, Irving Gilmer and John Laipple.

It is a cause of regret that we are able to give even a brief sketch of only one of the "pillars" of this early "evergreen" and influential church.

Dr. James T. Marsh was born February 18, 1833, at the old family homestead in the Gilead neighborhood, his father having come from Kentucky in 1827. He

graduated from Westminster College in 1857, and a St. Louis medical college in 1860. He began practice in Liberty and remained there till his death, February 16, 1907. He was ordained as elder October 7, 1866, in the Liberty church, and retired from active service in 1901. He was active both as a Christian and a citizen, and could always be depended on as elder as well as physician. Faithfulness was a very marked trait of his character.

1841.

The first Presbyterian church in the Platte Purchase of which we have any definite record was called West Union and was organized June 11, 1841, by Rev. E. A. Carson. The only other fact about it on record is that it was disbanded April 6, 1850, by the Presbytery of Lexington, and its records ordered transferred to the Weston church. This last fact may give us a hint of its location, of which nothing definite is known, unless it should possibly be the church spoken of by Dr. E. B. Sherwood in his Autobiography (page 103) as being "about ten miles northwest of Savannah and about three miles this side of Fillmore."

The earliest permanent organization was near Savannah. We are able to give an unusually full account of this church, thanks to the painstaking and unwearied co-operation of the pastor and the long-time Clerk of Session, Elder H. B. McDonald. The early history here given consists mainly of extracts from a History of Andrew County published a few years ago, and a memorial sermon preached by the pastor, Rev. A. W. McGlothlan, on Christmas day, 1904, the last Sabbath in which services were held in the old building.

"A number of families, most of them from the State of Kentucky, had settled in the western part of the county where, with heroic spirit and surrounded with conditions peculiar to a new country, they were striving to support themselves and their families. This was not a difficult task so far as food and clothing were concerned; but they were not satisfied with these alone. The greater portion of them were interested in the intellectual and moral development of their children. A log school house had been erected on what is now known as the Andrew Barr farm, then owned by Robert Elliott. It was in this school house on a hot Sabbath afternoon, August 7, 1841, that a number of the people living in the settlement came together for a religious service. The Rev. Elijah A. Carson preached to them and at the close of the service proposed the organization of a Presbyterian church."

The following paper was then adopted and signed by twenty-four persons:

"We, the subscribers and citizens of Andrew and adjoining counties, who have emigrated from other portions of the country and were members of the Presbyterian and other churches in Christ, since there are no churches in this newly settled country with which we feel disposed to unite, having credentials from churches to which we belonged, believing that we are the children of God and having a good hope of life through faith in Christ, and in all humility desiring to avail ourselves of the privileges of Christ's visible church, of which we are now deprived, by serving Him according to the doctrines of God's Word and ordinances of His house and governed by the discipline of the Presbyterian Church, do, by subscribing our names, evince that it is our earnest solicitude to be organized into a Presbyterian church, which shall be called by whatever name a majority of us shall wish and vote for at the time of organization."

A number of regulations were also adopted, one of which gave any one the privilege of withdrawing at any future time in order to unite with a church of their preference.

The twenty-four who signed the above paper were Aury Ballard, Sarah Ballard, Keziah Beattie, Abraham Brubaker, Elizabeth Brubaker, George Brubaker, Julia A. Brubaker, Elijah A. Carson, Mary J. Carson, Harriet Castle, James Davis, Harriet Davis, John E. Davis, Sarah A. Davis, Jane E. Hardy, David C. Montgomery, Jane Montgomery, Gilbert Ray, Elizabeth Ray, Mary A. Rodgers, Thomas Rodgers and W. H. Rodgers.

Of these Aury Ballard, George Brubaker, James Davis and W. H. Rodgers were elected Ruling Elders.

Rev. E. A. Carson became and continued pastor till the union of the two Savannah churches.

For a time the church was called Pisgah, which was soon changed to Savannah, it being from the first the purpose of the founders to remove to the county seat when that should be located. "Meetings were held regularly on 'Hackberry Ridge' until in December, 1842," when the church began holding services in

Savannah "in the old courthouse which stood on the corner of Sixth and Market streets, diagonally across from where the new church now stands." Here the church continued to worship and grow in strength. "In the mean time a Sabbath School, the first in Savannah, was organized, which became a valuable auxiliary to the church under the efficient management of Mr. Carson and his wife."

Feeling the need of more room, the congregation purchased a lot on Third street, "and a neat brick structure was erected in 1848, which cost over $3,100, nearly all of which sum was generously donated by Mr. Carson, who contributed besides a great deal of time and labor to the building."

It has seemed best to the compiler that when a church is first mentioned, its whole history should be given then and there, including that of other churches which may have united with it. Hence, anticipating the future, we will here speak of the Old School Church which was organized here eight years later. Its records having disappeared, we are unable to give definite and full particulars.

There were two Old School churches in the county, the exact date of whose organizations is unknown, the one, Round Prairie, about thirteen miles northwest of Savannah, at or near the present town of Fillmore; the other, Flag Springs, about the same distance in a northeast direction.

"In 1849 an Old School Presbyterian Church was formed in Savannah by the consolidation of what were known as the Round Prairie and Flag Springs congregations, after a series of meetings conducted by Revs. R. H. Allen and R. S. Symington. The number of members was about forty-five including those who identified themselves with the society during these meetings. Robert Elliot, Wm. Nichols, Dr. H. Smith and Martin Bayles were chosen elders. They selected as their pastor Rev. Charles Stewart from Kentucky, who died in 1852, and was succeeded by Rev. W. D. Symington, who served the church nine years. Rev. W. H. Stryker came next, and he was followed by Rev. J.

Emory Fisher, during whose pastorate the Old and New School churches united."

In this year (or more probably in the summer of 1840) there came into this territory a pioneer, Rev. Elijah A. Carson, who did much to mold society and to build up the cause of Christ. Having received a full classical and theological training (the latter a practical one under a pastor) he was ordained by the Presbytery of French Broad, and labored in Tennessee and Virginia as a home missionary, under the direction of Presbytery until he came to Missouri, teaching also much of the time. He was a far-seeing and broad-minded man, throwing his whole soul into the work of benefiting in any and every way the country to which he had come. He taught the first school in Savannah and was recognized and honored equally as citizen and minister, being elected Circuit Clerk of Andrew county for several successive terms. The following sketch is furnished by a neighbor and co-presbyter:

"Rev. Elijah A. Carson was among the first, if not the very first minister to settle in the new territory obtained from the Indians by the Platte Purchase. As soon as the town of Savannah was organized he moved within its bounds and resided there until he died. The condition and manner of life—the character of the scattered people also—were scarcely different from what he had been accustomed to in Tennessee. Eggleston's Circuit Rider would give a fairly correct idea of Western Missouri in the early '40s. Mr. Carson belonged to that period, was made by it, suited it.

"As an educated man he devoted himself to teaching and preaching while largely supporting himself on the land he had entered. The work he did was missionary, heroic, unselfish. He was a man of positive convictions, strict integrity, and a high sense of honor.

"For his church no sacrifice was too great. He gave more than did all the members together toward the erection of the Brick Church in Savannah, selling a large part of his land to raise the money.

"The war which broke up nearly every New School Presbyterian Church in the state, brought divisions among the brethren in Savannah. Finally the perversion of the Brick Church and the refusal of the new Presbytery of Platte to right the wrong, so deeply hurt him that he withdrew and joined the Southern Presbytery of Upper Missouri."

In 1905 when Platte Presbytery met in the beautiful new church in Savannah, it was thought that the time had come for some public recognition of the services of the first Presbyterian pastor of Savannah, and a marble tablet has been placed in the church with the following inscription:

In memory of
REV. ELIJAH A. CARSON.
Born in Tenn. June 30, 1810.
Ordained, 1835. Came to Mo. 1841.
The same year he taught the first school
and organized the first church
IN ANDREW CO.
Pastor of that church
1841-1853.
Stated Clerk of Lexington Presbytery.
Died in Savannah, Mo. Oct. 16, 1891.
A TRIBUTE BY THE PRESBYTERY.
"In labors more abundant,
In journeyings often."

The following sketches have been furnished by residents of Savannah:

"It may truly be said that no more earnest, devoted, consecrated servants of God have had membership in His church here upon earth than David Landers and Deborah his wife. Faithful in all their duties towards God and man, they were blessed with a long life of over three score and ten years, and left the impress of their character upon a number of noble Christian sons and daughters."

"Of Mrs. Margaret Smith it may be said that God's true work in the conversion of the soul was fully shown in her life. Although called upon to endure severe trials and great bodily afflictions, especially in the latter part of her life, she was ever faithful to the vows made in earlier years. Her greatest joy seemed to be in reading God's Word and talking of His great love to her."

Mr. Andrew Barr was for many years an elder in this church. He was a pioneer farmer whose manifold duties never interfered with the occupancy of a certain front pew in the church by him and his large family on the Sabbath day. His five sons and two daughters, still living in Andrew county, all Christians and, with one exception, Presbyterians, testify by their lives to his faithfulness as a godly father.

Mr. Colin C. Somerville was for many years a unique and influential figure in the Savannah Church. Born in Scotland, of a long line of Presbyterian ancestry, he could scarce be other than what he was, a staunch and loyal Presbyterian. Among the intimate friends of his school days, he numbered Horatius Bonar, the great hymn writer, and Robert Murray McCheyne, "the sainted McCheyne." His brother, Dr. Somerville, of Edinburgh, was one of the greatest preachers of his day. Mr. Somerville had an exceptionally fine bass voice and was a member of the church choir for many years.

He was a poet of no mean ability and left a published volume of poems which have been a source of pleasure and comfort to his many friends here and in the old country.

Mrs. Hallie J. Stuart was one of those "Mothers in Israel" whose helpful influence will long be felt in this community. No task was too hard for her undertaking if done for the church, and she possessed to a remarkable degree, the power of enlisting others in the work. This gave her for years, an acknowledged leadership among the women of the church, a position which she held to the day of her death, in 1901. For a long time she was teacher of the Primary Department in

the Sabbath School, and a very beautiful window in the new church stands as a memorial to her faithful service in the church she loved.

Mrs. Mary Stuart Russell, daughter of the above, is one whose name should be mentioned in this connection. From a child she was the organist of the Sabbath School and after her marriage, her beautiful home on Christian Ridge was a recognized stopping place for the transient minister and was always open to any kind of gathering in the interest of the church. By her splendid liberality, she was enabled to rescue the church from many a financial difficulty. She is now a resident of Spokane, Washington, but continues her liberal subscription to the expenses of the Savannah Church.

Other women whose names are deserving of mention because of their great service to the Master's cause in this church are, Mrs. James Reed, who literally gave her life for the work here, Mrs. Mary Carson, Mrs. T. D. Roberts, and Mrs. J. R. Caldwell.

Since the reunion in 1870, the Savannah Church has been served by Revs. Robert Cruikshank, G. A. Pollock, W. G. Keady, T. D. Roberts, W. T. Voss, James Reed, W. A. Cravens and A. W. McGlothlan; and Elders W. S. Earls, H. T. Walker, Andrew Barr, Upton Rohrer, H. H. Dobbins, W. E. Smith, John H. Tyner, John R Caldwell, R. H. Stuart, J. F. Waters, Jacob Schell, H. B. McDonald, J. W. Grant, Rudolph Born, J. P. Burns, J. H. Graff and William M. Kerr.

1842-3.

The first church whose beginning is recorded in this period is Plum Grove, organized by Rev. George M. Crawford, July 17, 1842. In 1846 it reported thirty members. Its last appearance in the Minutes of Lexington Presbytery was in 1859, and it had then been vacant for some years. Nothing is known of its location, and it may have been south of the Missouri River.

Mt. Zion Church was organized August 20, 1842, by Rev. E. A. Carson, "in a frame building, thirty by forty feet, erected expressly for the worship of God, on the Grand River about ten miles south of Albany. Mr. James C. Patton had given four acres for the location of the church and cemetery, and ten acres adjoining this for use as a camp ground, which remained so set apart until a recent date."

The original members were Mary Missimer, Philip Missimer, Belinda J. Patton, Hugh L. W. Patton, James C. Patton and Isabella, his wife, James H. Patton, Sarah A. M. Patton, William A. Patton, Margaret J. Whitton, Jeremiah S. Young and Ruth Young. "All but the last two produced certificates from the Mt. Zion Church in Tennessee, signed by Rev. T. Brown, pastor. J. C. Patton and J. S. Young were elected elders, and Caleb Simpson, Booker Smith and H. L. W. Patton, trustees."

In those early years Mt. Zion Church was the "Mecca of Presbyterianism" for a very large section. It never became very large, many of its members going from time to time to form new churches in the vicinity, and at times it has been greatly reduced, but since the recent reunion it has taken on new life and is nobly doing a much needed work. Soon after a camp meeting held at Mt Zion by Rev. A. B. Hobbs, in August, 1907, the Mt. Zion Church was reorganized, with George McConkey, Isaac G. Patton and William Whitton as elders. William A. Patton, who had been an

elder for forty years, and the only one for several years, had died April 28, 1900. For the first fifty-eight years of its existence the church had but six elders, J. C. Patton, J. S. Young, Martin Low, David F. Jameson, James W. Owen and W. A. Patton. D. F. Jameson, who died December 25, 1889, served as elder for over thirty-five years, and as clerk of session for over twenty-six. Rev. Timothy Morgan was the first permanent supply, and Rev. John Dykes came later. The original frame church was replaced by a brick building, the bricks for which were made under the supervision of Mr. Patton, on his farm. This building having become unfit for worship, his son, Isaac A. Patton, donated in his will one thousand dollars for a new building. With this the present neat little church was built in 1892, on the same site.

James C. Patton was born in Augusta county, Virginia, July 24, 1787. In 1809 he emigrated to Tennessee, where he continued to reside till he came to Missouri in the spring of 1841. September 15, 1841, he settled in Miller township, Gentry county, near Gentryville. He found a sparsely settled country, with its society unorganized. Neither a school house or church had been built in the county. Being a very devout and energetic man, his next act, after providing shelter for his family, was to donate a suitable location for a church and cemetery, and almost unaided, except by his own family, he built a frame house of worship, and called it Mt. Zion. He was, in truth, a patriarch. It is sad that such a life had a tragic end. He espoused the cause of the South in the civil war, but remained at home, as he was old and feeble. Being an influential citizen, soldiers were sent, in May, 1862, to arrest him. They took him to Albany and placed him under guard in the Court House. Being a Southern gentleman, his indignation at such harsh treatment is supposed to have been the cause of his death, a few hours later, when he fell from his chair, surrounded by none but rude soldiers. His body was interred at Mt. Zion, where sleep all his ten children, except one who is still living.

William A. Patton, son of J. C. Patton, was born in Monroe county, Tennessee, December 1, 1819, and was reared on a farm, receiving his education in the common schools of his native county. He came to Missouri with his father in 1841. "He was of like character with his father, whose mantle fell on his shoulders. With the aid of a few others he held a Sabbath School during the war in a school house near Gentryville. During the whole of his long life he was not only an active and ardent church and Sunday school worker, but he was also by precept and example a zealous advocate of the cause of temperance." He was prominent as a citizen and a business man. He erected in Albany the first steam saw and grist mill in the county, and built the old Court House.

Eliza C. Owen was born in Monroe county, Tennessee, August 5, 1827. She was married to W. A. Patton, February 27, 1845, and came with him to the neighborhood of Mt Zion. She was converted and united with the Mt. Zion Church in 1848. "Being a woman of remarkable strength of character, clearness of religious experience and gentleness of disposition, with firmness of conscience, her religion showed brightly to family and friends." She died January 31, 1907.

For the material for the above history and sketches, we are indebted to Miss Flora L. McCammon, a great-grand-daughter of James C. Patton.

As we learn from Paxton's Annals of Platte County, the Weston Church was organized August 28, 1842, by Rev. E. A. Carson, with the following members: Mary Cowles, Robert A. Cummins, America P. Hudson, Anna Nash, Elizabeth Neville, Elizabeth Norton, Samuel Norton, Roderick G. Stevens and P. M. Underhill. Another authority gives also Caroline R. Case.

As all the records prior to 1871 are lost, but little of the early history can be given. A brick church, forty by sixty feet and costing four or five thousand dollars, was erected in 1844. Rev. Edmund Wright,

who was received by the Presbytery of Lexington, October 28, 1842, was pastor for seven years. Rev. Frederic Starr, sent out by the American Home Missionary Society, was ordained and installed November 16, 1850. He was a very talented, tactful and peculiarly genial man, and secured the building of a manse costing twelve hundred dollars. Tradition says that by his tact and geniality he turned from their purpose a mob who had come to hang him because he had prayed with a negro previous to his execution. In after years when he was financial agent for Auburn Theological Seminary, he was one of the only two of the many official "beggars" who were universally welcomed among the churches of Western New York. His being an anti-slavery man shortened his stay in Weston. Much of the time since the church has not had a regular supply, but the following have served it for a definite period: William M. Kain, E. B. Sherwood, W. L. S. Clark, James M. Crawford, W. H. Penhallegon, Edmund M. Palmer and John H. Aughey.

A lady, whose name we do not feel free to mention, writes of the early officers and members: "Mr. Rodney Stephens was a very zealous and successful worker in Sunday school, and was loved by all the children as well as grown folks. In 1854 Joseph V. Parrot was added to the list of elders. We remember Mr. and Mrs. George T. Hulse, Mr. Wentworth, Mrs. Sarah Parrot and Miss Jane McCurdy as earnest, faithful members of the early church."

Among the early elders were R. G. Stevens, J. R. Tyler, Rodney Stephens, John H. Carson, J. V. Parrot, G T. Hulse, John S. Maitland, Andrew Mitchell and E. G. Heriot. The last named was especially active in Sunday school work. Messrs. Carson and Mitchell were both born in Ireland. The former was an elder in Tyrone county before he came over in 1846. He was elected an elder of the Weston Church about 1850 and served till his death. "For years he was a colporteur of the Tract Society, and he fell dead November 14, 1878, while delivering a Bible to a purchaser, with the half uttered sentence, 'I must do all the good

I can while—.' '' Mr. Mitchell, ''a faithful worker and a pillar in the church,'' became an elder in the church in 1865, and died in Colorado, aged ninety-eight. The more recent elders are: A. C. Bell, William Ohlhausen, Thomas C. Magers, George Brill, Selmon Wallace and F. H. Coughlan.

Rev. J. E. Flow, recently Stated Clerk and Treasurer of the Upper Missouri Presbytery and pastor of the Bethel Church, has kindly furnished the following data:

''On record in the Session Book I find, viz.: 'At a meeting of the Missouri Presbytery, held in the New Providence Church, Lafayette county, September 24, 1842, it appearing from the representation of the representative from the Liberty Church, that it was inconvenient for the whole body to worship at the same place; whereupon it was resolved: That part of the church north and east of Fishing river is hereby organized into a church, the name of which shall be designated by themselves; and the elders elect, living within the bounds of the congregation, be the acting elders of the church; and that elders be elected and ordained in the Church of Liberty.'

''The following names were then transferred from the Liberty Church to the Bethel Church: Elders Portius Clark, John Crossett, William Crossett, Allen Denny and Riland Shackelford. Members—Charity Bane, Nancy Clark, Artelia Crossett, Margaret Crossett, Mary Crossett, Ann Cummins, Mary Cummins, Ruth Cummins, Samuel Cummins, William Cummins, Margaret Davis, Walter Davis, Emily Denny, George Denny, Hannah Denny, Jane Denny, Matilda Denny, Nancy E. Finley, Rufus W. Finley, John M. Gray, Robert Henderson, Isabella Lynn, Benjamin McClain, Hannah McIlvain, Isabella McLane, Jane McNeeley, John McTaggart, William Murray, Mary Riley, Sarah Schoolfield, Hannah Scudder, Joseph Scudder, Allen Shackelford, Martha Stockton, William Stockton and Jane Welton.

"J. M. C. Inskiff preached for them the first year, and J. L. Yantis the second year. They had preaching once or twice per month by various ministers as stated supply until, on October 15, 1903, J. E. Flow was ordained and installed pastor for all his time. Since then the church has built a manse and become self-sustaining and supporting all the causes.

"The present (September, 1906) elders are: George R. Denny, Albert Holt, Edgar Laffoon, John Morrow, H. C. Scudder and William Taylor. Deacons: John Crossett, Fred Holt and C. Schoolfield. Our house of worship is situated fifteen miles northeast of Liberty, six northwest of Excelsior Springs and four east of Kearney.

"Among the elders who rendered most service to the church we might mention Caleb Wilson, in the early days; Sidney Morrow, of more recent date, and William Taylor, our present senior elder. Lawson and Barnesville churches were offshoots of Bethel."

It seems that though the Bethel Church did not become ecclesiastically separate from the Liberty Church till 1842, it was known by that name and had a sort of semi-independent existence earlier, for it is stated in Dr. J. B. Hill's History of Kansas City Presbytery, page 46, that "Bethel, Clay county," was supplied by Dr. Yantis in 1838.

The early history of the Cumberland Ridge (C. P.) Church, sometimes called Savannah, is involved in obscurity, there being no early records extant. Rev. Henry Eppler, who was present at the organization of Platte Presbytery in 1845 (page 4), removed in 1837 from Clay to Andrew county, and settled on Dillon creek, where was born his son Jonathan, who says: "He organized the Cumberland Ridge Church in the Cumberland Ridge neighborhood, between 1840 and 1844. Eli Hughes, Logan Maxwell, Martin Sutton, John B. Thompson and Clinton Young were some of the members of that organization. The above is all

hearsay evidence, as we moved to Flag Springs in the spring of 1844." The fact that Mr. Eppler organized a church at Flag Springs only two years after his removal there warrants the conclusion that he probably organized the Cumberland Ridge Church earlier than 1843, the usually accepted date. It was doubtless one of the four churches existing at the formation of Platte Presbytery in 1845. One of these four churches was named Platte and that may have been the original name of this church.

Mrs. Priscilla Roberts, who joined the church about two years after it was organized, says the first two elders were Elias Hughes and Alex. McDonald.

Miss Etta Breit writes: "The Savannah (C. P.) Church was organized about 1843 by Rev. H. Eppler, on the site of the old Camping Ground, and was always known as Cumberland Ridge. The church thrived for several years, then dwindled down, because of deaths and removals, till in 1874 there were but few members and no elder. So on December 19, 1874, it was reorganized by Rev. Leander F. Hayes, with forty-two members, of whom William Deakins, Eliza H. Maul, Sarah E. Maul, William M. Maul, Priscilla Roberts, Polly H. Rodgers, Mary C. Terhune, Emily A. Young and Mary Young were old-time members, and twenty-two were received on the profession of their faith. Elias Hughes, William A. Pyle and Joseph Terhune were elected elders, and William Ketring and Matthew Thompson, trustees. John Erixson, W. Ketring and John Roberts were elected deacons, on February 7, 1875.

"Since that date the following have been elected elders: W. A. Singleton, Matthew Thompson, Charles Maxwell, James Montgomery, J. F. S. Breit, Benj. U. Bowman and Jacob Nuckols; J. F. S. Breit, Jacob Bowman, John W. Fuller, Aaron Bowman, Pearl A. Breit and Edward Miller as deacons. The church has been served by the following ministers: L. F. Hayes, F. M. Miller, Martin Hughes, Allen Guthrie, W. O. H. Perry, D. H. Murray, H. W. Fisher, J. T. Hood,

Charles Parsons, M. P. Eller, H. R. Norris, J. H. Norman, D. M. Boyer and George Engler.

"Rev. Mitch. Miller, better known as Old Uncle Mitch. Miller, was one of the best workers and will be remembered longer than any other. He took charge of the church soon after it was reorganized and was pastor for several years. He used his influence in the building of the church, and after he ceased being pastor he preached off and on till he died, about eighteen years ago. Another pastor, faithful to this church, was Rev. W. O. H. Perry. He was helped by his son, Arthur, in revival meetings, in which three of our household were converted. All the people regretted the leaving of our last pastor, Rev. D. M. Boyer, the President of the Platte School. He had been with us almost three years and in that time the church had made great progress. It was through his influence that we are having these big tent meetings which are bringing the hearts of so many into touch with Christ.

"The church building, standing among large and beautiful trees and erected in 1880, is located on the main road from St. Joseph to Savannah, ten miles north of the former and three and a half miles south of the latter, and an eighth of a mile northeast of the Old Camping Ground and Cemetery."

The Mars Hill Church was organized February 11, 1843, by either Rev. T. S. Reeve or Rev. E. A. Carson, and was disbanded by Lexington Presbytery April 23, 1853 (its membership being reduced to three), and its records ordered transferred to Savannah. It was located about three miles from Oregon, eastward. Probably the Oregon Church had absorbed the most of its members. In 1846 it had a membership of eight, and in 1850, when Rev. John Dunbar was its pastor, twenty-four were reported.

The data for the Platte City Church has been mostly furnished by Hon. W. M. Paxton (in fragmentary form) in his Annals of Platte County and extracts from the

records of the church. Mr. Paxton united with the church a few months after its organization, and served as Clerk of Session from April, 1851, till recently.

It was organized April 27, 1843, by Rev. John M. Fulton, M. D. (who was its pastor till his death, June 3, 1851), with the following members: William B. Almond, John Clark, M. D., and Ann, his wife; John Y. Cooper, N. H. Hope, S. T. S. McCurdy, Joseph Patton, Allen Sloan and Anna M., his wife, and James E. Walker.

"In October, 1847, W. B. Almond, Joseph Clark, J. Y. Cooper, Preston Dunlap and A. Sloan are elders." "Meetings were held in the Old Court House; afterwards in the Old M. E. Church." "In February, 1857, Bros. J. G. Fackler and Robert Scott held a successful protracted meeting." In 1852, the congregation, in connection with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, erected a church on lot 6, block 31, "valued at $200 and given by S. A. Jack and M. N. Owen." "The church prospered until the war in 1860. Nothing was done during the war. The house was burned by Federal 'Redlegs,' July 12, 1864." "The next recorded meeting of the Session is March 5, 1874, with Rev. J. G. Fackler, moderator, and Allen Sloan, John R. Swain and W. M. Paxton, elders. Several joined the church." "In 1873 the church consisted of twenty-three members and is said to have reorganized under the General Assembly of the United States." In 1867 the Methodists and Presbyterians began building a church on the old site. This was dedicated in April, 1868. The church was never large, but was very influential, especially in its early days when it was largely officered by such men as Judges Almond and Dunlap. No complete list of elders is at hand, but to those given above, James A. Baldwin, M. D., and John T. McRuer can be added. No recent information has been furnished, but the present pastor and clerk of session are J. M. Campbell and G. K. White McGee.

William McClurg Paxton was born in Mason county, Kentucky, March 2, 1819, and married Mary

Forman October 1, 1840. He came to Platte county in 1839, and since that time his acknowledged legal talents have been at the service of every good cause. Intensely loyal, he was between two fires during the civil war. Having the respect and confidence of his fellow citizens, he has been honored with positions of trust and responsibility, as that of Public Administrator. As an ardent temperance man he has been of great service to the cause. He stands most prominent as one active in every good work. At times he has seen dark days and has been the only elder in the church, but has never given up during the darkest days. The infirmities of age alone have retired him from his wonted active service.

Allen Sloan was born in Shelby county, Kentucky, May 15, 1816, and died April 16, 1889. He came to Indiana in 1842, and two years later settled two miles west of Platte City. He was a just and upright citizen and a zealous Presbyterian. He always loved the little church he had helped to plant at Platte City, and over which he was a ruling elder for forty years.

Much of this account of the Clear Creek Church is taken from the Historical Sketch, prepared by Elder Farrington B. Staats for the Semi-Centennial Celebration of the organization of that church.

The organization was commenced Saturday, August 12, 1843, by Rev. Moses W. Henderson, at the residence of Mr. William Brown, near Clear Creek, Daviess county. After a sermon the following persons, James Arter, Phoebe Arter, James K. Brown, Sarah Brown, William Brown, Sarah Brown and Mrs. Margaret C. Price, presented their certificates of membership in good and regular standing, and were organized into the Clear Creek Presbyterian Church. J. Arter and J. K. Brown were duly elected ruling elders. The next day the organization was completed by the ordination and installation of the elders, after which a meeting of the session was held, which received into communion and fellowship James Ward and Elizabeth, his

wife, from Mt. Pleasant Church; Mrs. Nancy Hagins, from the Presbyterian Church of Richmond, and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Hudgins, from the Presbyterian Church of Lawrenceburg, Ky.

On March 10, 1844, Rev. T. S. Reeve presiding, the session elected J. K. Brown as clerk and chose him to represent the church at the meeting of Lexington Presbytery, to be held in Weston in May. On Sabbath, July 20, 1845, the first baptisms took place—six children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller and three of Mr. John and Mrs. Sarah Ann McClurg. On October 19, 1845, the six children of Mr. and Mrs. Price were baptized by Rev. T. Morgan.

James Harper was elected elder October 15, 1848, and William Allen, September 23, 1855. There was no meeting of session from the last date till April 28, 1871; first, because of the lack of a pastor, and later because of the civil war. April 29, 1871, the church resolved to change its name to Bethel and "to undertake the erection of a house of worship on the lot donated by John H. McNeill for that purpose." This house was dedicated March 24, 1872. Before it was built the services were held at private houses, notably those of Messrs. J. Arter, J. K. Brown, W. M. Brown, J. McClurg and R. Miller.

The church has been served by Revs. M. W. Henderson, T. S. Reeve, T. Morgan, E. B. Sherwood, J. A. Pinkerton, W Kendrick, J. Gillespie, W. Asdale, G. A. McKinlay, E. M. Palmer, J. Kirkwood, C. McCain, D. C. Davies and N. McA. Tatum. Mr. Henderson, a most lovely young man, died very soon after the organization.

The elders, in addition to those named above, are: A. M. Barrett, Samuel D. B. Poage, S. L. Doty, P. H. Hawkins, Reuben Wetzel, F. B. Staats and Wm. C. Poage.

Bethel and Hopewell (C. P.) churches were happily united August 26, 1906.

November 19, 1843, a church was organized at the home of Francis Wilkinson, on Castile Creek, near where Stewartsville now stands, by Rev. Lewis Thompson, with the following members: Alonzo Beck, James G. Claywater, James Gragg, Mrs. Jane Gragg, Mrs. Elizabeth Venable, Geo. C. Venable, John Venable, Joseph Venable, Mrs. Mary Venable, Mrs. Mary Walker, Mrs. E. C. Wilkinson, Miss Fannie Wilkinson and Frank Wilkinson. Joseph Venable and Frank Wilkinson were elected elders.

The following ministers served the church: L. Thompson, William Dixon, Robert Scott, Chas. Stewart, R. H. Allen, Robert Canfield, C. A. Wylie, A. P. Forman, H. P. S. Willis, H. F. Albright, David Coulter, J. P. Forman, C. W. Price, J. A. D. Hughes and J. M. Campbell. The full list of elders is: Frank Wilson, Joseph Venable, Robert Stewart, Robert Clark, A. W. Pickett, Joseph Clark, W. C. Wilkinson, J. L. Wylie, J. D. McCroskey, John Sanders, F. M. Dixon and W. A. Wylie; and of deacons: Geo. Venable, Samuel Clark, John Jones, J. H. Wylie, Thos. Coe and William Wilkinson.

The name of the church was changed from Castile to Stewartsville, September 3, 1870. Elder J. L. Wylie, clerk of session, kindly furnished the above information.

"The Richmond Presbyterian Church (O. S.) was organized on the first Saturday of February, 1843, by Rev. Drs. J. L. Yantis and Lewis W. Green, with twenty-six members." "In November, 1869, a brick church costing $10,000 was dedicated by Rev. Dr. Nathan L. Rice. This was destroyed by a cyclone, June 1, 1878, and no services were held till the fall of 1880."

The above was taken from a local history in the Kansas City Library.

This very early and interesting church is not among the "defunct," but we have failed to get fuller information, which has been diligently sought.

The present pastor and clerk of session are J. A. Gray and R. B. Kirkpatrick.

1844-8.

In 1843, the year in which St. Joseph—previously known as Robidoux Landing—was laid out, Rev. Tapping S. Reeve preached the first sermon ever delivered there, in a log tavern kept by a Mr. Beattie, "corner of Main and Jule, where the Occidental Hotel now stands." In the spring of 1844 he began building a log church on a lot owned by George Brubaker, "on Francis, about 150 feet east of where the Pacific House now stands." Mr. William Langston donated the logs (in the tree). His timber was on a bottom about a mile above town. Parson Reeve, shouldering an axe, went with his helpers, cut down the first tree himself, and worked with them day by day amidst the clouds of mosquitoes, at noon bringing their dinner, which Mrs. Reeve had prepared The building was finished ready for occupancy in the winter of 1844-5. "It was of hewn logs, twenty by forty feet. D. Hardy, George and John Brubaker, Israel Landis and others helped to build it. It was used for some time conjointly as church and school house. Mrs. Israel Landis was the first teacher, the school being known as 'St. Joseph Female Academy.'" In 1844 a very successful Union Sunday School was organized, towards the support of which Mr. Joseph Robidoux contributed ten dollars, and of which Mrs. Reeve was the leading spirit.

September 15, 1844, a church was organized consisting of Abraham Brubaker, Mrs. Elizabeth Brubaker, George Brubaker, Miss Julia A. Brubaker, Mrs. Harriet Castle, Mrs. Nancy McMunn, Mrs. Jane McMunn, Mrs. Laura Postel, Mrs. Jane E. Reeve and George A. Smith. George Brubaker was elected ruling elder. In 1847 a brick building, fifty by sixty feet, was begun at the corner of Fourth and Francis. It was completed in the winter of 1849-50. Mr. Reeve remained with the church till 1855. Revs. Fred R. Gallager and Franklin E. Sheldon followed him.

The excitement previous to and during the civil war, which affected this whole section so disastrously,

caused the church to die out gradually. But we have no further information, as Lexington Presbytery, with which it was connected, furnished the General Assembly with no reports between 1858 and 1863. Elder Israel Landis, who held on till the last, after giving letters of dismission to two applicants, said: "That leaves me as the last member of the church." The church building, on which the Board of Church Erection had a mortgage, was sold, and was occupied by a German congregation till quite recently.

"The only sense in which Westminster succeeded the First Church was that it represented the same opinions and had its pulpit Bible." Therefore the history of the former is given separately and in its chronological order.

From the records of the Parkville Church, which are complete, and remarkably and ideally full historically, we gather the following:

In November, 1842, Rev. Edmund Wright, then of Weston, preached the first Presbyterian sermon in Parkville (which was laid out and named in 1844). A permanent Sabbath school was established in 1843, and a temporary union was had with the Methodists, it being thought not expedient to organize a church at that time. In this year Licentiate Charles Lord, a missionary of the American Home Missionary Society, settled at Independence, gave a part of his time to Parkville. April 27, 1845, Messrs. Lord and Wright organized a church with the following members: Alfred and Mary Painick, George S. Park, Harriet Parsons and Romulus R. and Mary A. Stephens. G. S. Park and R. R. Stephens were elected elders.

December 3, 1845, Licentiate Charles D. Herbert, a very devoted missionary of the American Home Missionary Society and late of Bangor Theological Seminary came to Parkville. April 26, 1846, he was ordained and installed pastor of the church, at a "pro re nata" meeting of Lexington Presbytery held "under

the roof of the new warehouse of Messrs. Park & Parsons." Some extracts from a letter of Mr. Herbert's, written to Dr. Timothy Hill, soon after his arrival, may be of interest. "After they decided" (in St. Louis) "that I should go to the Platte country, Bro. Lewis and myself put off together by stage early Monday morning for Independence. The first two days, being on the great thoroughfare from the metropolis to the capital of the greatest state in the Union, we might have expected a good road, but it was just a path cut out over the hills, without having even a dollar of work wrought upon it. Sometimes it was so bad that it would be hard to tell where the road was. Every man went the best way he could. We walked much and had to get out every little way and get the stage through some deep ravine. The public houses were of a piece. The first night we stopped at a house that had no window and was about eighteen feet square, and there we were, some fourteen of us, and only two beds among us! As beautiful and as fertile a country as the sun ever shone upon, and yet men will live fifteen years like dogs in a kennel—black, white and gray. After we passed Jefferson we found things better, and it was a most splendid country with its timber and open lands all combined together." "There are but few Presbyterians here, and no preaching at all. Mr. Park, the proprietor, is from New England and is very anxious to have a minister permanently located. He and his brother-in-law, Mr. Parsons, will supply all my immediate wants of board, horse, etc. I find this place where I am to board to be one of the pleasantest places in all the Platte. Yes, will you believe it, it is in a corner of the State of Maine! Mr. Parsons is from **Maine.** Mrs. Parsons is the very life of the church."

Mr. Herbert left in January, 1848, and in March, 1849, when there were only three members, Mr. Park being the elder, Rev. George S. Woodward, of Pennsylvania, came, dividing his time equally with Weston, where he remained till November, when "he moved to Parkville and took up his residence with Mr. Park, who kindly boarded him and his wife during the winter without charge." Mr. Woodward gives a glimpse of

the simplicity of those days when, in describing the first communion, he says: "Our good elder came to the service, clad in his red blanket overcoat with black fringe, a bottle of wine in one pocket and two blue tumblers in the other, with the bread wrapped in a paper." January 12, 1850, eleven were received, four of them from Cumberland churches.

January 15, 1850, the following Board of Trustees was elected: G. S. Woodward, Chairman; Geo. S. Park, Roderick G. Stevens, Thos. Aspling, Mason T. Summers, William P. Burney and James Bowie. Major Levi Hinkle and Samuel Akin, Jr., were added to the Board soon after. In 1851 a movement was made to build a church and parsonage. The latter was of brick. The former was of stone and was dedicated December 12, 1852. "The whole expense of the church as finished and furnished for use was $2,544.70." Mr. Park gave $500 of this, and he raised nearly $800 of it from friends in Maine, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware, on a trip East. In June, 1855, the trustees received from Mr. Park a deed for the four lots on which the church and parsonage stood.

October 4, 1858, the church was received under the care of Platte Presbytery (page 2), and its records were examined and approved by that Presbytery at Platte City in April, 1861. Mr. Woodward remained the beloved pastor till the church was scattered by the Civil War in 1861. After that the Sessional Records give December 13, 1867, as the date of the first meeting of the Session, Rev. John M. Moore, having come by invitation and commenced his labors the previous June. The church had a slow and normal growth from that time till the coming of Rev. Dr. John A. McAfee and his "Family"—Park College in embryo—in the spring of 1875, since which time its size and influence have continually increased. It has carried on Sabbath School and evangelistic work very largely in the surrounding neighborhoods. The large part which its members have taken in home and foreign missionary work will be spoken of later in the notice of Park College.

Rev. John Moore has been followed as pastor by E. B. Sherwood, J. A. McAfee, Edmund M. Palmer, E. P. Foster, W. F. Matthews, Lapsley A. McAfee, Cleland B. McAfee, J. Aikin Smith and Silas Evans.

The roll of elders has been kindly furnished by the successor of the lamented Prof. Charles F. Winchell, Prof. John W. Stephens, who has served most efficiently as Clerk of Session for twelve years, and also as Sunday School Superintendent for the last ten years. They are: Geo. S. Park, R. R. Stephens, W. P. Burney, L. Hinkle, John H. Bueneman, W. G. Gano, Thos. D. Roberts, D. S. Eccles, W. C. Day, D. M. Wyncoop, W. E. Voss, Robert Watt, B. B. Holter, Fred Kahm, Chas. W. Blake, Reuben Brown, Prof. William S. Nelson, Prof. Lee S. Pratt, Robert Irwin, David R. Todd, Prof. Edward Fitch, J. N. Covert, H. H. Winchell, Prof. William H. Tibbals, Prof. George A. Knapp, Pres. L. M. McAfee, William Y. Jones, Prof. Arthur L. Wolfe, Howard B. McAfee, Prof. Geo. H. Minor, Prof. Chas. F. Winchell, Prof. Arthur M. Mattoon, Jesse Bell, John Creighton, Prof. J. W. Stephens, Prof. Merlin C. Findlay, William M. Dager, Arthur M. Sharrocks, Prof. Thos. G. Burt, Henry A. Kehn, James D. Dean, James Brown, Geo. H. Venard, William L. Palmer, Prof. John H. Lawrence, E. Allen Prouse, Robert Buchanan, J. Will Harris, Frank R. Zugg, James S. Bailey, Fred Chase, Harlan M. Roberts, Geo. M. Johnston, Prof. W. H. Cooper, J. Ernest McAfee, Benj. L. Myers, E. B. Stevenson, James W. Chapman, Prof. R. V. Magers, Prof. Howard A. Dean, Grant Merchant, Prof. John W. Hornbeak, David J. Orr and Dr. C. S. Benham.

The fact that the Session has, for several years, included twelve members accounts in part for the large number. The long-time custom of always having in the number one advanced student, who shall thus get one year's experience of Session work, counts also. Many of these student elders are now in the ministry or missionary work, some as physicians.

For many years the Sabbath School has been very large, being attended by all the students connected with "The Family," as well as the most of the children

of the village. It would be inexcusable not to speak, in this connection, of the long-time services of Elder H. B. McAfee. Officially and non-officially, he has had the charge of the primary department for over twenty years, and the children delight in him as much as he does in them. His unwearied labors in encouraging, developing and uplifting the very important colored Sabbath School of the place are much appreciated.

Most that relates to the Flag Springs Church has been obtained from Mr. Jonathan Eppler and Elder James R. Dunn, Clerk of Session for twenty-two years. The former says: "The organization took place in 1846, at the home of Washington Means, but this is only the dim memory of childhood. Clayton Boyles, Jehiel Boyles, Fletcher Cowen, John Francis, James Irwin, Samuel Irwin, Clemens Means, Clarence Means, Harry Memahan, James Memahan, Washington Memahan, William Memahan, Geo. Taylor, Joel Taylor, John B. Thompson and their wives were members of that early church. Newton Cowen, Adam Means and Ahija Means were the first elders. Later on, between 1850 and 1860, John A. Clark and Thompson Barnette were elected."

This church, like so many others, ran down during the Civil War. Elder Dunn, who has been a member since 1885, says: "This church, organized in 1846, was the result of a campmeeting held by Rev. Henry Eppler near the Kirtley residence, close to the Means neighborhood, about two and a half miles south of Flag Springs. They met, held meetings in a log school house about a mile south of the village, on the farm of Geo. Boyles, near where the old church was built.

"The congregation was reorganized, I think, in 1873, by Rev. Isaac Chivington, with T. Barnett, Joseph Laning and T. C. Simpson as elders, and Jasper A. Dungan as clerk. Eli Knappenberger, who came here about forty years ago and who has been the mainstay of the congregation and the Sabbath School for the last thirty years, was elected elder in the early seven-

ties, and Geo. Rodecker, Joseph M. Glick, Edward R. Speaker and James R. Dunn since then. Since 1873 the pastors have been: I. Chivington, C. B. Powers, J. H. Tharp, J. Froman, A. S. McDaniel, C. E. Wright, W. E. Vanhorn and W. O. H. Perry twice.

"The old church house was torn down in the winter of 1872-3 and rebuilt in the village, and the Methodists were given a half interest in it for helping to rebuild it.

"Mrs. Hannah B. Eppler, E. A. Dungan, Aunt Mary Knappenberger and Mrs. Ailsie Eppler Munroe were among the 'Mothers in Israel.'

"By deaths, removals and other causes the congregation has dwindled from a hundred communicants down to six or seven members at present, but remember, and so state in your History that we are still **loyal Cumberland Presbyterians.**"

The disappearance of the earliest records and the burning of the later ones account for the incompleteness of the above.

We are indebted to Elder Ralph K. Denny, Clerk of Session for twenty-two years, for the following extracts from the records and for the sketch of "Father Denny:"

"According to previous appointment, a congregation assembled in a grove on Crooked River, in Clinton county, on Saturday, June 14, 1847, and after a sermon by Rev. Robert Scott, the committee appointed by the Upper Missouri Presbytery for the purpose of organizing a church, he proceeded to discharge that duty. The names of those present prepared to enter into the organization were enrolled and are as follows: David Cooper, Rachel Cooper, John Crossett, Geo. Denny, Jane Denny, Newton Denny, J. B. Green, Benj. F. McClain, Eliz. McClain, Kizzie McNeeley, James Riley, Margaret Riley and Mary Riley. The congregation then proceeded to the election of ruling elders. B. F. McClain and D. Cooper were duly

elected. Crooked River was the name chosen by which they wished to be known."

Very soon after the church was organized a congregational meeting was called at which the money was raised to purchase forty acres, "being the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section eleven, in township fifty-four, range thirty." On this a church was soon erected, and later a manse.

The following extracts from the records are given because such items are of very unusual occurrence: "November 25, 1849, Armilda, a colored woman, the property of D. F. Green, was received with others." "July 20, 1851, Nathan and Charity, persons of color, were received as members."

Like most others, this church suffered greatly during the Civil War. Its name was changed to Barnesville in the early seventies.

Among the pastors of this church have been: J. W. Canfield, John P. Fox, James C. Barnes, William Dickson, Charles Price, J. P. Foreman, Edward M. Yantis and J. W. McClure.

The original elders have been followed by D. Findlay Green, Portius Clark, Cyrus E. Green, James Morrow, Thos. Paisley, Erasmus Estill, James B. Green, Henry B. Moberly, Geo. B. Tuggle, R. K. Denny and Chris. W. Stratford.

Mr. George Denny—"Father Denny," as we used to love to call him—was born February 15, 1784, in Guilford county, N. C., in the palmy days of George Washington. His ancestors were part of the Presbyterian colony which settled in that county and organized the Buffalo Presbyterian Church, noted as being for over sixty years under the pastoral care of Rev. David Caldwell, D. D., who was also an M. D. and a surgeon in General George Washington's army. Mr. Denny was married January 14, 1808, to Jane Kenady, who died January 10, 1866, in the seventy-seventh year of her age. Shortly after this marriage they

united with the Buffalo Church. He emigrated to Missouri with his family in 1835, settling on a farm in Clay county. He moved thence two years later to a place near Barnesville, and, erecting a log house, opened up the farm on which he lived till his death, March 34, 1879, in the ninety-sixth year of his age.

He greatly prized the privileges of the sanctuary. That front seat of his had to be occupied even though the ninety odd years old man (who never needed or used a cane) had to walk five miles to fill it, which he did on several occasions. Through nearly a century his quiet, happy and useful life flowed on. Almost to the last he was free from the infirmities of age, his form was erect and his eye had but little of the dimness of years. Always bright, sunny and cheerful, he waited calmly for his change, and passed away sweetly trusting in the dear Savior whom he had served so long.

"None knew him but to love him;
None named him but to praise."

1849-1854.

The following account of the Lawson Church was furnished in July, 1907, by the pastor, Rev. J. B. Carpenter:

"The Lawson Church is a continuation of New Salem church, which was organized June 18, 1849, at the request of members of the Liberty, Richmond & Bethel churches, residing on or near Crooked River in Ray county. Revs. Richard H. Allen and Robert Scott were sent by the Presbytery of Upper Missouri to perfect the organization. The new church building was built jointly with the Kellyites (now known as the Christian Union denomination) about five miles east of Lawson.

"For some cause worship ceased till '62 or '63, when it was resumed at the Jefferson school house just south of where Lawson now stands. In '70 the town of Lawson was established, and the Methodists and Presbyterians joined together in building the first house of worship. In '88 the former built a new church, selling out their interests in the property to the latter, who remodeled the old house and continued to use it until last August when it was torn down to make way for the new building, costing about $5,000.00, which was dedicated free of debt on May 26, 1907.

"The first ruling elders in New Salem were Jedediah Smith and William Murray. I think the pastors are not all enumerated in the following list, but it is the most complete catalog of them that I have been able to compile from the records: R. H. Allen, J. W. Canfield, David Coulter, J. M. Scott, Jas. Morton, E. M. Yantis, J. G. Fackler, D. D. Evander McNair, H. B. Boude, D. D., R. W. Wilson, G. T. Thompson, D. D., Joshua Barbee, J. S. Sibley, H. M. Kerr, R. A. Cook, R. Brown, J. D. Massey and J. B. Carpenter."

More recently, James M. Morrow, Clerk of Session, gives this additional information: "The old records

are not to be found. Joseph A. Smith succeeded his father, Jedediah. When the church moved from Jefferson school house to Lawson, S. D. Wharton and J. M. Morrow were elected elders; and Ambrose Griffith, later."

The Presbyterian Church of Oregon was organized on Saturday, January 1, 1853, by Revs. William Hamilton and S. N. Irwin, members of the Presbytery of Nebraska and missionaries to the Iowa and Sac Indians, in the old court house, with ten members: Samuel Dunn, Margaret Jane Dunn, Robert G. Emmerson, Jane Emmerson, Joseph Evans, Hila Evans, John Meyer, Sarah F. Meyer, Henry W. Peter and Jane Peter. John Meyer and Dr. H. W. Peter were elected elders.

The first Presbyterian preaching in Oregon was between 1840 and 1845, by Rev. E. A. Carson. On one occasion here in Oregon there being no convenient or suitable place for a public service, by permission of the owners, he held religious services in a saloon. It was the same drinking place that was afterwards struck by lightning and in which several persons lost their lives in the flames of the burning liquid and timbers, the liquor being set on fire by the lightning.

A very neat brick church, the first in Oregon, was erected in 1853 at a cost of $4,000, without any aid from the Board of Church Erection. It has been in use ever since, its seating capacity having been raised to 400 by an addition. There is a comfortable manse of seven rooms; also a neat frame church, seating about 250, for the Woodville auxiliary congregation, about three miles east. Services are held in both churches every Sabbath.

The church has been served by Revs. W. R. Fulton, C. McCain, N. H. Smith, W. M. Cummins, James Lafferty, J. S. McClung, George Miller, W. E. Williamson, T. D. Roberts, H. A. Sawyers, James McFarland and James A. Walton.

The elders who have served the church are John Meyer, Dr. H. W. Peter, Francis Irwin, William Zook,

James L. Allen, George P. Luckhardt, James Scott, Geo. Anderson, James A. Keeves, George Tritt, Robert Montgomery, John N. Menifee, Joshua D. Tritt, William A. Kleinpeter, Nicholas F. Murray, Charles Kurtz, Alexander Van Buskirk, Thos. L. Price, Silas N. Bucher, F. E. Markt, J. W. Buntz and J. H. Murray.

The above is condensed from a very complete history furnished by Elder Van Buskirk, Clerk of Session.

Hon. N. F. Murray, who was translated May 26, 1908, from the General Assembly in session at Kansas City, to "the general assembly and church of the firstborn enrolled in heaven," was for thirty years an active and efficient elder. His daughter Minnie, Mrs. J. S. Cunningham, is a missionary in West Africa. He was born in Virginia, March 17, 1839.

A church was organized in the Plum Creek school house November 26, 1853, by Revs. J. M. Canfield and J. B. Harbison and Elder Samuel Rannels, with Hugh Cochran and wife, Mrs. Frederick, Mrs. Jane Marquam, Samuel Rannels and wife and William Stockton and wife. The next day John McBride, Sarah Morton, Malissa Jane Rannels, George Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Stoffel were added. S. Rannels was the first elder. A frame church, costing $325, was erected in 1854. The name was changed from Plum Creek to Mirabile in 1855. The Civil War suspended the church, which was reorganized in 1866. In 1879, the old church was replaced by one costing $1,600.

The above is from a local history in the Kansas City Library.

The early records being lost, the present incomplete record was gathered by Rev. John Wilson.

What follows is from a very full account furnished in 1906, by Mrs. Mary C. (Wm. H.) White.

"Among our papers we find a deed, given September 29, 1857, by William E. Marquam and Jane Mar-

quam, his wife, 'proprietors of the town of Mirabile,' conveying to the 'trustees of Mirabile Presbyterian Church and to their successors forever,' the land on which our present church was erected. In connection with it he also deeded land (five acres) for a cemetery, to be held in the same manner. It still remains in charge of the trustees who, at present, are Thos. Wilkin, W. H. Stillwell and W. H. White. The trustees whose names appear in 1857, are George Smith, John McBride, Simon Stockton and W. E. Marquam.

"The church here was reorganized in 1866, and the application for a charter is dated June 29, 1874, and bears the names of E. Fort, H. M. Cooper, Jacob Clute, Geo. Fort, Geo. M. Treat, Nicholas F. Clute, Hugh. C. Stockton, Elias Lankford and James Mylar. The oldest members of our church in point of age are Mr. and Mrs. William Stillwell who joined the church by certificate in 1877. The latter is in her 86th year. To her wonderful memory and kindness of heart we are indebted for much of the information we are able to give. Another venerable member is Mr. Daniel Fort, whose father, Elderet Fort, was the first elder of whose election we find any account. The elders elected since 1882 are J. H. Conley, Geo. Wilkinson, J. N. Matchett, Robert Marquis, Thos. Virtue, Thos. Wilkin and W. H. White. Prior to that we know of E. Fort, Cyrus Hartpence, Elias Lankford, Nicholas F. Clute, Joseph Mylar and Hugh C. Stockton.

"This church was for years the only Protestant one in or near Mirabile. It is grouped usually with that at Kingston or Hamilton, and has preaching only once or twice a month. Our present building was erected in 1874 on the site of the old church."

Since the above was written, H. C. Matchett has been added to the Session.

Rev. Geo. A. McKinlay, who served the Mirabile Church from 1872 to 1875, writes:

"Among the worthy members of this church special mention may properly be made of the three elders, E. Fort, Uncle Joe Mylar (as he was often familiarly

called) and Hugh Stockton. A young minister could wish for no more appreciative and wisely critical hearers, affording a balance and stimulus that theological seminaries do not always give. Mr. Fort was of the old, solid Dutch stock of New York, reared on the Heidelberg catechism and unbending as the five points of Calvinism. Still he was not hypercritical of the vagaries of a novice in the ministry. The practical good sense of the man is seen in an incident taken from his own lips by the present writer. He had from boyhood been addicted to the use of the weed, and would often be on the streets of the village with a pipe. One day he espied two young boys puffing away at their pipes, when the thought came to him with great force that his own example might be the means of influencing such boys, and he immediately threw away his pipe.

"Mr. Mylar came of the good old Presbyterian stock of Ohio, strong on the matter and proof texts of the Westminster catechism. His religion often partook of that emotional type seen in men of large heart. One Fourth of July, a few of the neighboring families were quietly enjoying a picnic. As they were about to separate Mr. Mylar proposed that they sing and have a season of prayer. Immediately some one struck up 'There is a fountain filled with blood,' all joining in the refrain. As they proceeded Uncle Joe could not restrain his emotions, being visibly affected to tears at the closing lines,

> 'When this poor lisping, stammering tongue
> Lies silent in the grave.'

"Hugh Stockton was the young man in the eldership, genial, earnest and pure hearted, a true type of the practical, Western-born Missourian."

"Any sketch of the Mirabile Church would need to include the names of the two sisters, 'Mothers in Israel,' Mrs. Cochran and Mrs. Stockton. Their sweet and placid faces always greeted the minister from the same pew, giving assurance of hearts engaged in prayer for a blessing on the service. Southern in

birth, training and sympathy, their kindness embraced all, whether hailing from North or South. They used to tell an amusing episode of the war time. The whole country was infested with bands of guerrillas of both sides. One Sabbath religious services were being held in a school house, the Poages attending. A company of men came along, and placing the stars and stripes over the door, proposed to force the whole congregation to come out under its folds at the close of the service. But Mrs. Poage, scorning to submit to the dictation of irresponsible guerrillas, though large of form, promptly bolted out of an open window, cheating the band of a portion of their triumph.

"One of the most interesting times in the life of the Mirabile Church, was the short ministry of the Rev. Joseph H. France, D. D. After a brilliant course in college, Mr. France had come west from Washington, D. C., his home, to practice law in Kansas City. It was not long till he was convinced that he must preach the gospel, and he came at the opening of the seventies to the churches of Lathrop and Mirabile. Those country farmers knew a good sermon when they heard it, and gave Brother France their whole heart. Congregations filled the church and a spirit of revival was soon manifest. The tradition of those grand sermons is writ large in the history of the Mirabile Church."

A Presbyterian church was organized, January 12, 1854, at the house of Mrs. Susan N. Combs, by Rev. W. R. Fulton of Oregon, commissioned by Upper Missouri Presbytery, with the following members: Dr. O. Brown, C. C. Carson, Mrs. S. N. Combs, Mrs. E. Carson, James Dysart, Mrs. L. Dysart, Mrs. L. Fore, Mrs. L. Fulkerson, Dr. James E. Hewlett, Mrs. Lucy A. Hewlett, Francis Irwin, James M. Irwin, Mrs. Louisa C. Irwin, Mrs. N. D. Langford, Mrs. Hettie Monroe, John Montgomery, Mrs. E. Montgomery, Wm. Sublette, Mrs. S. S. Sublette, Wm. Vanarsdale and Geo. C. Venable. Dr. Oscar Brown, C. C. Carson and Jas. Dysart were elected elders; and Dr. J. E. Hew-

lett, W. Sublette and G. C. Venable, deacons. They worshipped in various halls till the first of January, 1860, when they moved into the basement of the church on the southwest corner of Sixth and Faraon streets, and by the vote of the congregation the organization took the name of the Sixth Street Presbyterian Church.

The church prospered under the ministrations of Revs. A. C. V. Schenck, John G. Fackler and Aaron P. Forman. In the winter of 1862-3, notwithstanding the excitement of those troublous times, there was a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit. "During that revival of ten weeks, 134 persons were added to the communion of the church."

In 1867 there was a division in the church, with a friendly and equitable division of the property. The large majority forming the present First Church (whose history immediately follows this) took the parsonage. The minority retained the name and also the building, still only a basement. In this building Platte Presbytery was organized in July, 1870, and not long after a brick church was completed on the walls of this basement. But to do this, they borrowed $8,000, and being unable to pay even the ten per cent interest, in October, 1872, they turned the building over to the Westminster Church, which met all claims, then amounting to $12,000, by giving its property on Felix street. The church was dissolved by Presbytery in the fall of 1872. They had been served in the meantime by Revs. E. P. Cowan, H. A. Newell, Wm. H. Gill and Wm. H. Hillis.

"John Colhoun, who seldom missed a meeting of the session and was probably the most reliable of the body of elders, joined the Westminster Church, and then removed to the First Church in 1875. Elders C. T. Gaugh and Wm. Zook united with the Westminster Church: C. C. Carson and James Dysart became elders in the Walnut Grove Church; and James McConnell and Alex. Smiley ceased to appear on the records after the organization of the Willow Brook Church."

A portion of the preceding and the whole of the following are taken from a very full and interesting manuscript history of the First Church, kindly loaned by Elder W. T. Sanders, Clerk of Session.

During the pastorate of Dr. Forman, in 1867, the congregation of the First Church started a movement looking to the erection of a new church building. In 1868 the work was so far advanced that the lecture room was completed and fitted up, and used for services till the main auditorium was finished. Prior to this the services were held in a large hall known as the "Academy of Music."

In April, 1870, Dr. Forman was compelled by failing health to resign, and in September, 1870, Mr. Fackler, to the universal delight of the congregation, returned and resumed the pastoral charge of the church. During the fifteen months following his return the congregation contributed for the completion of the church building and the payment of some debts about $13,000, and within the same period there were added to the membership of the church, ninety persons, mostly on confession of their faith. The new church, one of the largest, most substantial and tastefully finished church buildings in the city, was dedicated on Sunday, January 21, 1872.

In 1873-4, protracted or revival meetings were held in the church and more than a hundred members, some of them our most prominent citizens and business men, were received.

Mr. Fackler was compelled by ill health to resign in July, 1875, and was followed by Rev. R. S. Campbell who served until December, 1890. During Dr. Campbell's pastorate several mission Sunday schools were supported by the First Church, and in 1888, a Mission Church—the Third Presbyterian Church—was organized with fifty-three members, two elders and two deacons, the officers and some of the members going from the First Church, which, in 1889, erected

for them, at 24th and Faraon streets, a church building costing about $2,600.

After being briefly supplied by Rev. A. A. Pfanstiehl and Dr. T. J. Hendrick, the church called Dr. Geo. A. Trenholm who "was an excellent preacher, a kind and tender minister, and was beloved by the entire congregation." Dr. Trenholm was taken ill in the summer of 1898, and lingered till May 25, 1899, when God in his mysterious providence called this good and powerful preacher of the Gospel of Christ unto himself. Dr. W. E. Boggs supplied the church till the coming of Rev. W. R. Dobyns who preached his first sermon as pastor-elect December 3, 1899 and was duly installed January 28, 1900. "The pastoral relation still continues to the entire satisfaction of the congregation. The good work that has been accomplished during his pastorate is known and felt throughout the whole church."

During the last eight years the church has increased in efficiency along all lines. Five foreign and four home missionaries are now maintained, and three other churches and chapels have been put up and supported in whole or part, in this city. The contributions to all causes have increased to something like five-fold. In contributions to foreign missions this church leads all others connected with our General Assembly. The church numbers among its officers, leading business and professional men of the city, and these have not been selected on that account, but because of their superior qualifications for the place. The Sabbath School has a larger average attendance than ever before.

1855-1860.

Religious work in this section, especially in Platte county, was seriously affected by the excitement and disorder consequent on the virtual repeal of the Missouri Compromise by the passage of the Kansas-Nebraska bill. Elder George S. Park, compelled by the conditions of society, had long been a slaveholder, having intelligent Presbyterian slaves, but he made himself especially obnoxious to the pro-slavery men by insisting, in his paper, The Industrial Luminary, that the Missouri people should not do the voting for the Kansas people. These men, termed "Kansas Leaguers," came to Parkville, April 14, 1855, and threw his press into the river. Mr. Park was away then, but two days later they came again to hang him, but his friends, fully armed, forbade that, and so they spared his life on condition that he leave the country. He did so and the Presbyterian Church was broken up for a time.

About a year before his death, Mr. Park incidentally gave the writer the following facts: On the morning of April 15, Mr. Park arrived home from Manhattan, Kans., to find his type scattered in the street and his press at the bottom of the Missouri. Hearing the whistle of a steamboat, he went to the landing and spied the Rev. Fred Starr, of Weston, on the hurricane deck. As all the steamboats wooded up at Parkville and thus there would be ample time, he invited Mr. Starr to come and take dinner with him. Mr. Starr replied that he could not, as he was a prisoner and being deported to St. Louis. Mr. Park went on board in order to go up to him, but at the foot of the stairs he was met by a sentry and ordered back. So they could converse only at a distance. Mr. Starr proposed that Mr. Park go to St. Louis with him—a journey which he soon took.

The Fillmore Church was organized, in the Methodist Church, June 25, 1855, by Revs. W. R. Fulton and

Robert Scott, with the following members: Andrew and Maria Chambers, Isaac and Eleanor Cowan, Joseph and Eleanor Gilmour, Mrs Mary Gresen, Catharine and Sarah McCallen. Angeline McCreary, Mrs. Meagher, Wm. Nickles, Wm. and Martha Ousley, Caroline Ousley and Upton and Amanda Rohrer. Messrs. Cowan and Nickles were elected elders; and Chambers and Ousley, deacons.

The church was served by W. R. Fulton, W. D. Symington, J. N. Young, E. B. Sherwood and N. H. Smith. The imperfect records make the elders, in addition to the above to have been Robert Muir, Hugh W. Gilchrist, Dr. W. E. Brown, Philip W. Anderson and Benj. S. Jackson. The church dwindled through removals, the last recorded meetings of session being solely to give letters of dismission. The little handful left gave up the fight finally and sold the church about 1887, passing the proceeds, equal in amount to what the church had received, over to the Board of Church Erection, which had helped to build it.

The New Providence Congregation was organized February 7, 1855, in a union church about seven miles north of Chillicothe, by Rev. John E. Nevins, by order of the Chillicothe Presbytery. The charter members, as far as they can be made out from the meager and imperfect records were Elisha Francis, Polly Francis, Wm. F. McGee, Sarah McGee, Mary K. McGee, Charles W. Ward, Elizabeth Ward, Orphias Ward, Caroline Ward. Elisha Francis was one of the first elders; Henry Wiscarver was ordained June 15, 1856, and Samuel Buckbee, Wm. R. Scholl and Joseph Ward, February 18, 1860. The only early members still living (in August, 1907) were F. D. Ward, aged eighty-two; Maggie Ward, who united with the church in the early sixties; Mattie E. Minor, who united in 1866; J. H. Breedlove, uniting in 1860, and his wife, Mrs. R. M. Breedlove, who is Clerk of Session and furnished all this information, and has been a member since August 21, 1867.

The elders, in addition to those named above, are John Patterson, Nathan Cravens, Wm. F. McGee, Joel Minor, Henry Ward, J. W. McGee, James W. Smith, E. P. Elmore and Frank C. Smith.

The ministers who have served the congregation are Wiley Clark, S. L. Edgar, Robert Speer, Alex. Critchfield, John W. French, Thomas Montgomery, J. H. Tharp, J. M. Ragan, E. S. Ragan, P. W. Winn, Frank Davis, S. D. Belt, S. S. Hardin and J. R. Adkins.

The neat frame church, about four miles northwest of Chula, was built in 1876. Before they worshipped in the Ward school house. Though a weak, struggling country church, with preaching only a part of the time, they have kept up a Sabbath school since in the early sixties. Especially active in it have been Joel Minor, Henry Ward, Mrs. Mary Minor Ward, E. P. Elmore and R. D. Ward. The last named is a grandson of Joel Minor.

Elizabeth Ward died in 1880, at a ripe old age. Her influence is still felt. Noel Gates, though a Christian only a few years, was the most zealous Christian worker it was my privilege ever to know. Charles W. and Joseph Ward, brothers, were both pillars in the congregation. Joel Minor, though incapacitated by defective hearing for many of the public duties of an elder, was a faithful worker. E. P. Elmore, a member for over forty years, has been a model sexton for years, never having failed, except when ill or absent at Presbytery, to open up the church and have it warmed and lighted up on time.

The Rochester Congregation, which was first organized December 16, 1855, was reorganized by Rev. Allen Guthrie in June, 1867, and the original name, Muddy Creek, changed to Rochester at the fall session of Platte Presbytery at Agency in August, 1871. The early members, as remembered (the early records being gone), were Wm. Blue, wife and three daughters, W. M. Hayter, Mrs. Elvira Hicklin, Samuel Irwin, Samuel Jeffers and wife, Wm. McKee, W. P. Slade and wife, Mrs.

Elizabeth Slade and Samuel Stewart, wife and one daughter. The first elders were W. N. Hayter, S. Irwin and W. P. Slade, followed by John Segrist, Henry Blount, Geo. W. Lewis, W. R. Nuckols, Henry Mattox and J. F. Martin. The church house cost nearly $1,500.

The above information was furnished by Elders W. R. Nuckols, of Savannah, Clerk of Session, and W. P. Slade of Helena, who was elected in 1855.

The Shady Grove, orginally Fishing River, Congregation, near Excelsior Springs, was organized in the spring of 1856, or probably some years earlier. Mr A. M. Cameron, Clerk of Session in 1905, wrote: "In the Session book I find it recorded that the first records were burned at the house of one of the early elders, and in this record it was stated that there were, to the best of the recollection of James McCrorey and Daniel Patton, thirty-one members in the spring of 1856."

Elder J. C. Ferril, a later Clerk of Session has given the following: Daniel Patton and Wiley Clark were the first ministers: after them L. J. A. Prather, John Prather, Lafayette Munkirs, Hugh R. Smith and Henry Renick. Among the early members were Jessie Clark, Tersy Clark, David L. Ferril and wife, J. C. Ferril, Mrs. Holt, James McCrorey, Nancy Patton and "Mother" Prather. The list of elders gives Andrew Robison, Edward Picket, James McCrorey, Wm. Holt, Sidney Morrow, B. F. Marr and J. C. Ferril.

The Providence Church was organized May 3, 1857, in a locality known as Walnut Grove, about seven miles southeast of St. Joseph, by a committee consisting of Rev. Casey A. Wiley and Elder John Colhoun, appointed by the Presbytery of Upper Missouri in response to a petition from a number of members of the St. Joseph Church. The original members were C. C. Carson, Charles C. Carson, jr., Jane Elizabeth Carson, Louisa M. Carson, Paulina Carson, James Dysart, Louisa Dysart, Nancy D. Langford, Margaret McConnel, Elizabeth McDaniel, John McDaniel, Lydia E. McDaniel, Mary Jane McDaniel, James Mathews, Eliza-

beth Montgomery, John Montgomery, Ann E. Robinson, Alexander Smiley, Alex. M. Smiley, Nancy Smiley and Sarah Jane Smiley. C. C. Carson, J. Dysart and Alex. and A. M. Smiley were elected elders.

The Records show the admission of nine colored persons to the church, on the confession of their faith, in 1859 and 1860.

"The church continued to flourish up to the breaking out of the rebellion in 1861, when the organization lost its existence, most of the late members who remained in the country re-uniting themselves with the church in St. Joseph." Prior to this date John Douglass had been added to the Session and the church had been served by Revs. C. A. Wiley, Gary Hickman and Robert Scott.

"On the second day of November, 1872, in a new and neat frame building erected near the site of the old Providence Church, by the united efforts of several religious denominations, the old Providence Church was reorganized under the name and style of Walnut Grove Church. Twenty-two members composed the organization, with the Rev. James L. Barnes, a minister of ability and distinguished scholarship, as pastor; Col. James Dysart, D. C. Montgomery and Joshua Ewing, elders; and Allen S. Kanten and James Gaston, deacons. The church is in a prosperous condition."

The above was obtained from two sources—the Records of the Providence Church, secured by Judge John L. Leonard by long and persevering effort; and a series of Historical Sketches of all the churches of St. Joseph published in a city paper in 1874, and wisely preserved by Dr. Henry Bullard. These sketches have been largely used in the history of the early St. Joseph churches.

No light has been obtained as to when and why the above Walnut Grove Church became practically extinct. Judge Leonard, Clerk of Session of the present Walnut Grove Church, has kindly furnished what follows.

This church was organized April 20, 1897, by a commission appointed by Presbytery, consisting of Revs. G. A. Trenholm and W. S. Foreman. The following persons presented letters of dismissal from the Second Presbyterian Church of St Joseph: Misses Daisy, Emma and Julia Dysart, Samuel Dysart, Mr and Mrs. Frank Ewing, Wm. J. Ewing, Miss Mary H. Fogg, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Leonard, Misses Euphora May and Perilla L. Leonard, Mr. W. D. Pyne, Misses Julia K. and Mary M. Pyne and Mrs. Dora Smith. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pryor and Mr. S. P. Smith were received on profession of their faith in Christ, and their names enrolled. Messrs. J. L. Leonard and W. J. Ewing were elected elders, the latter ordained and both installed. Messrs. J. K. Jones and W. D. Pyne were elected, ordained, and installed as deacons.

May 25, 1897, Presbytery, at Lawson, gave the church permission to employ Rev. Duncan Cunningham for one year, for half his time, at $250 per year. Mr. Cunningham remained till April 1, 1902, and Rev. (Judge) Xenophon Ryland ministered to the church from August 1, 1903, till December 1, 1904, having held a series of meetings for us in March, 1903. He was followed by Rev. J. M. Campbell. W. D. Pyne and J. K. Jones were elected to the eldership in September, 1903; and W. W. Frazer, in September, 1905.

"Walnut Grove Presbyterian S. S. was started several years before the organization of the church, as a Mission School from the Second Presbyterian Church, and has never closed. We have now (October, 1908) only thirty-one members on our roll, but are proud of the fact that we have two in the foreign field, Miss Annie E. Dysart at Matamoras, Mexico, and Miss Julia Dysart in Korea."

The Albany Church was organized May 30, 1857, by Revs. Ralph Harris and John N. Young (who became the first pastor) and elder S. Edmiston, with the following members: Allen G. McConkey (who was

made the first elder), Mrs. Mary McConkey, Mrs. Margaret Miller, Mrs. Harriet Rannels, Misses Caroline and Sarah Rannels and Mrs. Jane Young. A small church building was secured, but sold when it became too small, after which the congregation worshipped in public halls and other churches till in 1884, when a commodious building, costing $2,400, was erected. Since 1900 the pulpit has been vacant except as supplied temporarily. The church has been served by Revs. J. N. Young, C. McCain, N. H. Smith, D. McRuer, M. L. Anderson, John Huston, W. A. Cravens, A. M. Tanner, T. M. Hillman, M. J. McLeod, Jay C. Hanna, Arthur B. Herr, F. W. Grossman and E. H. Bull. The elders are A. G. McConkey, J. H. Virden, J. H. White, J. W. Owen, B. F. Lucas, Thomas J. Smith, Jos. C. Power, C. M. Gordon, Robert A. Patterson and Robert M. McCammon.

On the 14th of July, 1904, an arrangement was made by the Home Mission Committee of the Presbyterian Church and the Home Mission Committee of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, in Platte Presbytery for these two denominations to co-operate in their work at this place. Rev. M. B. Irvine, the Cumberland Presbyterian minister in charge at the time was continued as pastor. The Sabbath School uses the Westminster helps and literature. As these two churches soon united, the history of the latter will be given here.

A Cumberland Presbyterian church was organized here, March 12, 1884, by Rev. James H. Tharp. with forty-four members: Almira P. Birch, Lou. E. Clark, Olive Combs, Alice M. Culp, Moses Cunningham, R. J. N. Dorsey, Florence A. Ervin, Margaret E. Hardwick, Aurelia S. Homes, Wallace Hubbard, Jennie E. Johnson, Geo. W. Jones, Hampton Jones, Wm. D. Jones, Hannah Kier, James A. Larmer, Nancy J. Larmer, Norman H. Larmer, Rosa W. Larmer, Hattie Lawson, Thomas D. Lawson, Emma Lewis, J. L. Lewis, Nellie McIntosh, John H. Newman, Chas. O. Patton, Frances F. Patton, Luella Patton, Tena Pontius, Gideon W. Sampson, Ed. C. Sellers, Victoria Sellers, Ollie D. Stephens, Elizabeth Taylor, Maggie

Taylor, Wm. S. Taylor, Mary F. Tharp, Alice M. Wayman, D. P. Wayman, H. M. Wayman, Margaret Wayman, Rachel C. Wayman, Margaret Whaley and John S. Williams. The organization followed a revival conducted by Rev. A. M. Buchanan and Rev J. H. Tharp, continuing about three months and resulting in one hundred and sixty conversions. March 22, 1884, Chas. O. Patton, M. Cunningham, R. J. N. Dorsey and Dennis P. Wayman were elected elders.

The church has has been served by the following ministers: J. H. Tharp, J. H. Norman, C. E. Hayes, S. T. Divinia, M. Lowe, E. M. Wright, R. J. Beard, W. O. Wozencraft, Geo. Wozencraft and M. B. Irvine. The elders are C. O. Patton, M. Cunningham, R. J. N. Dorsey, D. P. Wayman, W. Hubbard, Hugh M. Wayman, J. P. McCammon and John Newman.

On June 4, 1905, at joint sessional and congregational meetings of the two churches, a resolution was adopted, declaring a union, and that the sessions and members would abide by the decision of the General Assembly.

We are indebted for all the above to Elder R. M. McCammon, long Clerk of Session, and a prominent and most influential citizen of Albany.

Mr. W. T. Minnick, then Clerk of Session of the Lock Springs, formerly New Design, Church, wrote December 10, 1906, that that congregation "was organized in the summer or early fall of 1857, by Revs. R. Speer and J. W. French. Nathaniel Houston was ordained elder. In 1859, A. C. and J. C. Minnick were ordained elders. The pioneer preachers were R. Speer, J. W. French, J. D. Mahan, —. —. Walker, A. Cooper and E. S. and J. M. Ragan." N. McAdow Tatum was then pastor. At present Geo. B. Sproule is the pastor: Elder J. R. Minnick, Clerk of Session; and the membership, 153.

Mr. Frank P. Keplar, Clerk of Session of the Grand River Church, wrote in November, 1908: "The

Grand River congregation was organized September 7, 1857, by Rev. R. Speer, with eleven members, three of whom were elected ruling elders. The Records of the church from 1857 to 1870 were destroyed by fire, but the original members, as near as I can find out, were John Grant, Lavina Grant, R. L. Grant, Elizabeth Headric, Mary J. Headric, Willson Robinson, Jonah D. Wynn, P. N. Wynn and Rebecca Wynn.

"The church was resuscitated October 4, 1866, by Rev. J. M. Ragan, when thirty-three communicants were enrolled; John Grant, Jonah D. Wynn and Robert B. Foster were elected elders; and Wm. Grant and James Waugh, deacons. December 10, 1870, G. B. Kimball and Wm. Grant were chosen and ordained elders, the Rev. L. A. Burkhart having charge of the work at $62.50 per six months. We have always worshipped in the Hickory Creek Church (five miles southeast of Coffeyburg and six miles north of Jameson) which is owned jointly by the Baptists and Presbyterians.

"The following ministers have had charge of the work: P. W. Wynn, W. N. Nickell, J. W. French, J. H. Tharp, J. H. Brundige, J. R. Adkins, J. F. Davis, S. S. Hardin, J. M. Ragan, S. E. McDonald, and L. Layman. Peleg Vagel and M. C. A. Wynn were elected and ordained elders in 1883, and Frank P. Keplar, in 1887."

The Rev. James H. Tharp, twice the pastor, wrote: "The Gallatin (C. P.) Church was organized November 24, 1857, by Revs. W. D. Mahan and R. Speer, with ten members—James Davis, Robert Hannah, Sarah Hannah, Skelton T. Hill, Mary Hill, Henry W. Lile, Wm. P. Lile, James Minor, Ruth Minor and John H. Pugh. S. T. Hill, H. W. Lile and R. Hannah were elected elders.

"Mrs. Mary Hill was a most consecrated Christain and devoted church member. She was regarded as a 'Mother' in this local church, and was consulted by all in the work of the church. Her home was the home

of the preachers. The other women who were most prominent in the work of the early church were Margaret Crain, America Davis, Mrs. A. Knauer, Mrs. David Boggs, Mrs. Selby and Mrs. Wm. Man; the women of later years, Mrs. Scott Haynes, Mrs. C. L. Knauer, Mrs. A. J. Selby, Mrs. Jennie Fisher, Mrs. Mary J. Lile, etc.

"Mr. Hill was a most sincere and devoted Christian man, and loved the church ardently. At his death all his material resources went to it by will. He gave $1,000 to the Gallatin Church as a permanent fund to keep his own and his wife's name in remembrance. He gave the balance, $1,000 to the Ministerial Relief Board. Andrew Knauer, who was killed a few years since by a kick from a horse, was a prosperous business man of Gallatin. His will provided for two good properties to come to the church of Gallatin at the death of his wife. Hiram Cook was a farmer, and for years the Session put it upon him to represent his church in the Presbyterial meetings. He became so well acquainted with all the business of Presbytery that he was very serviceable as a presbyter.

"The united church holds and uses the property owned by the C. P. Church. The church house is valued at $10,000, and the manse at $3,000.

"Up to the date of the union with the Presbyterian Church of Gallatin, June 10, 1906, the following ministers supplied the church or were pastors: W. D. Mahan, J. W. French, Alfred T. Cooper, S. D. Burkhart, J. M. Ragan, W. S. Davis, P. W. Wynn, J. F. Rogers, B. F. Logan, J. H. Tharp, M. R. Dougherty and H. F. Smith. The elders were S. T. Hill, H. W. Lile, J. Minor, Kehler Wertz, T. J. Crain, Andrew Knauer, Hiram Cook, Thomas J. Wertz, Wm. P. Lile, C. Troutwine, Chas. L. Knauer, Wm. Robinson, James Lile and Wm. G. Lile."

The following history of the church that united with the above church is furnished by Elder Charles Pipkin, M. D. "The Gallatin Presbyterian Church

was organized April 29, 1871, by a committee from Platte Presbytery, consisting of Revs. E. B. Sherwood, Timothy Morgan and Duncan McRuer, and Elder Wm. Allen. The following persons were present and were enrolled as members: Hannah Babcock, Susan R. Brown, Hattie Brundige, Lydia Brundige, Alexander W. Callahan, Elizabeth Callahan, Carrie Lindsay, Mrs. Susan M. McDonald, Emma McDougall, Wm. A. McDowell and Rachel Robertson. A. W. Callahan and W. A. McDowell were elected Ruling Elders.

"Pastors and stated supplies: D. McRuer, Wm. Kendrick, John Gillespie, Wilson Asdale, G. A. McKinlay, F. E. Thompson, E. M. Palmer, James Kirkwood, C. McCain, Willis Weaver, Evander McNair, H. W. Marshall and David C. Davies. The following is an incomplete roll of the elders: A. W. Callahan, W. A. McDowell, Jos. C. Shepherd. Daniel J. Davis. R. G. Sawyer, David Hummer, P. H. Hawkins, James W. Miller, Wm. Palmer, C. C. Ward, C. M. Harrison, T. J. Vogelgesang and Charles Pipkin.

"After the General Assembly had declared that the union of the churches had been completed, our congregations simply united and the two sessions became one, the same elders continuing in office.

"The church building was erected by the Congregational denomination in 1863, and purchased about 1878, the Board of Church erection granting $500. In 1900, the church was improved at a cost of $600, the Board granting $200."

Since the union of these two churches, Rev. J. H. Tharp has been the pastor, and A. J. Selby has been added to the Session.

The following extracts are from a letter of Rev. Geo. A. McKinlay, an early pastor:

"At or near Gallatin twenty-five or more years ago were Dr. Charles Pipkin, later of the Jameson Church, S. D. B. Poage and wife of the Bethel Church, and Elders Hawkins and Davis. Mr. and Mrs. Poage were

large of heart and generous in hospitality. Their home was a genuine Presbyterian 'house bountiful.'

"Among the 'worthies' of the Gallatin Church the name of Mrs. Mary Gillespie" (who is still with us) "should not be forgotten. Continuing to make Gallatin her home after the death of her husband, she always took a lively interest in the church, wise in counsel and keen in her knowledge of religious needs. Her genuine Irish wit and brilliant mind, all fused by a true and warm heart, gave her presence a peculiar charm to all her friends. Few who came to know her will forget the strength and beauty of her personality."

The English Grove Church was organized on Saturday, May 22, 1858, at the home of John Dunlap, by a committee from Platte Presbytery (see page 2), Rev. W. R. Fulton being the Moderator, with the following members: Geo. W. Curry, Isaac A. Curry, James A. Curry, Margaret K. Curry, Eliza Dolan, James M. Dunlap, John Dunlap, Margaret R. Dunlap, Mary E. Dunlap, Robert K. Dunlap, Sarah Hoover, Charles Price, R. A. Price and Susan Vanatta. I. A. Curry and R. K. Dunlap were chosen elders.

The ministers who have supplied this church, as near as I can find out, are W. R. Fulton, A. S. Billingsley, A. P. Forman, H. P. S. Willis, J. P. Forman, Chas. Price, J. A. D. Hughes, E. McNair, L. E. McNair, W. Asdale, James Kirkwood, W. Beale, R. S. Watson, D. S. West and John Duncan.

With those named above, the elders who have served the church are Robert Curry, W. N. Curry, R. F. Erwin, W. T. Youel and W. H. Massingill. There are now three elders, three deacons and a Sabbath school of sixty-five members. The Sabbath School, which is the oldest in Atchison county and continues all the year, was organized in 1856, with Isaac A. Curry as superintendent.

The church, which is located two and a half miles

west of Fairfax, was built in 1867 or 1868, at a probable cost of $1,500.

For the above we are indebted to Elder R. F. Erwin, Clerk of Session, who also says:

"Special mention should be made of Elder Isaac A. Curry, who died December 23, 1907, aged about eighty years, who did more for the upholding of the kingdom of Christ and the uplift of society than any other person in the church. He was Clerk of Session for a long time and Superintendent of the Sabbath school for thirty years. He was greatly helped by his wife who died only a year before him; also by his sons and Mr. W. A. Hedrick who has been and is now a pillar in the church. He was a trusting, humble, faithful follower of the Master whom he served."

The early Records of the Chillicothe Church are missing, but it is believed that it was organized November 27, 1858, by Rev. Ralph Harris.

The following was furnished, after much research, by Rev. J. Franklin Fetterolf, the tireless, efficient pastor.

About 1857, a little handful of Presbyterians and a few sympathizers decided to build a church if they could secure a lot. About this time Mr. James Love, of Liberty, Mo., who owned some lots in town, came to visit Mr. James B. Leeper, whose wife was a Presbyterian. When asked to give a lot, Mr. Love gladly consented and gave a deed in which he provided that it should remain the property of the church so long as used for a church lot. Messrs. J. B. Leeper and W. C. Samuel were chosen Trustees, and the people began to get means and material together for the building, which was to be a one-story brick structure. After enough material had been secured, Mr. John Sinclare, who was a Presbyterian, did the masonry work.

After the church was completed and furnished, Messrs. Thomas B. Jones, and Henry Lansing were elected elders, and Rev. Mr. Singleton came to preach

for the church. After he had been preaching for some time, the war broke out, and soldiers took possession of the church. They took down the bell and sold it, and put a lot of negroes in the church. The Elders and Trustees appealed to the Governor, who ordered the negroes removed. A soldier who had formerly been a Presbyterian preacher, and whose sympathies were with the church people, asked to conduct a school in the church. Permission to do so was given, and thus they kept possession of the building.

After the close of the war, in the year 1866, the real church organization was perfected with a membership of twenty-seven, whose names follow: Greenup Bird, Mrs. J. C. Bird, John Campbell, Mary Campbell, George Dunn, Mrs. E. L. Ellis, Newton Howell, Nancy Howell, Mrs. Elizabeth Leeper, Jacob Laferty, Margaret Laferty, John C. Laferty, Miss E. J. Laferty, Miss. Margaret Laferty, R. S. Moore, Martha Moore, Mrs. J. P. Moore, Geo. W. Outcult, Mrs. Outcult, Benj. Outcult, Mrs. Isabelle Outcult, Mrs. Lucy A. Pinkerton, Wm. Rhea, Elizabeth Rhea, Mrs. Ellen K. Samuel, Samuel Standish and Lucinda Standish. Greenup Bird and Newton Howell were elected elders.

Rev. John W. Pinkerton was the pastor, and the other ministers who have filled the pulpit from 1866 to 1907 are Samuel Sawyer, John A. Pinkerton, B. A. Williamson, Wm. D. Patton, J. A. McKelvey, H. M. Shockley, W. R. McElroy, George Miller, Wm J. Hatfield, James H. Shields, Thos. A. Scott and J. F. Fetterolf.

The elders during the same period are G. Bird, N. Howell, Morgan Lawson, Peter Outcult, John C. Harlan, E. S. Osgood, John McNeil, Jacob S. Funk, Chas. Herriman, H. M. Hutton, J. M. Gross, M. H. Wilcox, R. S. Moore, Geo. S. Reed, Hiram F. Woodford, J. W. Elliott, Arch. Majors, Dr. Geo. A. Gordon, E. O. Smiley, James W. Samuel, C. F. Wikoff, Campbell Crossen and Albert Faultinson.

In the year 1892, a new church building, costing $14,000, was erected, and the church became self sustaining.

This church owes a great deal to its women, who have labored faithfully with their prayers and with their hands. These are some of the most faithful: Mrs. John McNeil, Mrs. Morgan Lamson, Mrs. R. S. Moore, Mrs. L. N. Barker, Mrs. Frank Leaver, Mrs. Bissett, Mrs. Geo. Milbank, Mrs. J. B. Ostrander, Mrs. Wm. Summerville, Mrs. A. R. Smiley, Mrs. C. N. Smiley, Mrs. David Gordon, Mrs. E. F. Blake, Mrs. Wm. Crellen, Miss Ellen Diegelman and Miss Alice Woodford.

J. M. Gross, Superintendent of the public school, was a man thoroughly acquainted with his Bible. He always taught the young ladies' class in Sabbath school, and to sit under his teaching made you feel as if you would like to be doing something for the Master.

M. H. Wilcox loved music, and for a long time he was organist and led the choir.

To R. S. Moore, more than any other one person, this church owes a debt of gratitude. An attorney by profession, he was once elected Representative from this District. A man of deep spirituality, he left his own opinion in the background, and did the thing that was best for the church. He was S. S. Superintendent for eight years, missing only one Sunday in all that time. In his death the church suffered a loss it has never been able to fill.

Geo. S. Reed, still one of the elders of the church, has served it faithfully. For a long time he was the most liberal contributor the church had.

Hiram F. Woodford, though greatly afflicted by disease, was always at prayer meeting, Sabbath school and church services, setting a splendid example. He gave a noble posterity to the church which is still reaping the fruits of his labor. Mrs. Chas H. Bierkemper, now missionary to the Navajo Indians in Arizona, is one of his daughters.

J. W. Elliott, who still serves as elder, a man of

good judgment and a liberal giver, has been a great help to the church in every way.

G. A. Gordon, who came into the church on profession of his faith in 1893, and was elected elder the same year, was proud of his church and wanted to see it progress. His death was a great loss to it.

E. O. Smiley, first a deacon and then an elder, a young man who ever had the good of the church at heart, followed Mr. Moore as Sunday School Superintendent, missing scarcely a Sunday for eight years, and until his removal to Oklahoma, in 1902.

James W. Samuel, who came into the church at the age of twelve years and was elected deacon when quite a young man, sang in the choir for twenty years, taught the Bible Class for two years, and was clerk of Session till his death in 1904.

Since the above was written, Messrs. F. E. Riley and Gilladette have been added to the Session.

The Graham Church was organized July 26, 1860, by Revs. J. G. Fackler and W. D. Symington. A County History, in the Kansas City Library, says the church was organized "in a handsome union church built in 1856, and that the charter members were Aaron Cole, Mary Cole, John Cowen, Mary E. Cowen, Eliz. Gresham, Eliz. McCoy, A. E. Rea, Sarah Vinsonhaler, Henry Walker, Martha Walker and Mary Waterman."

The first pastor of whom we have any record was W. M. Stryker, who came in 1864. Since then are N. H. Smith, M. L. Anderson, W. G. Thomas, A. D. Workman, B. D. Luther, A. W. Benson, D. C. Smith, J. N. Young, E. W. Symonds, W. Weaver, C. P. Blayney, W. E. Caldwell, H. P. Alexander and Jer. Moore.

The roll of elders, so far as known, is Peter Maurer, J. H. Bohart, Wm. Eshelman, John L. Taylor, Harlan Bohart, Amos C. Hutchinson and Edward R. Taylor. A church costing $2,200 was built in 1872.

That no fuller account of this ever reliable church and its worthies can be given, is a great disappointment.

1861-1866.

This period contributed but little to the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom in this section and much to its tearing down. The terrible desolations and the fearful wrecking of that sad reign of disorder appear in the fact that of the twenty-one churches reported in 1859 by Lexington Presbytery, only four, Clear Creek (Bethel), Mt. Zion, Savannah and Weston, ever appeared again on the roll. The Presbytery of Upper Missouri did not suffer quite as severely, ten of the twenty-four churches reported in 1859 being in existence in 1869.

The history of the Sampson Creek Church gives a glimpse of the lamentable conditions prevalent. This church appears in the O. S. General Assembly Minutes for 1853, as having eleven members and being vacant. Rev. John N. Young began his labors there in 1855, or later, but no exact dates can be given about anything. Tradition gives James and Samuel Edmiston, Allen McConkey, Daniel Walker, and Jeremiah Young and their wives as among the early members. The people built a nice church about eleven miles southeast of Albany, near White Oak Creek. They were a colony from North Carolina, and when that state seceded, the trouble began. Mr. Young says: "I went there to hold a Communion service. Instead of doing so, I found myself detained by my own parishioners. I told them I would go to the church and there tell them what I thought of their conduct. My speech melted some of them to tears, and they pressed around me asking my forgiveness. I directed them to ask forgiveness of God. Thinking it would turn out at last for good, I called for my horse and went home. It was my last interview. In a few days their beautiful church was in ashes. The congregation scattered and never rallied again. One family, that of Jeremiah Young, remained true to their country and their church, and transferred their membership to Albany."

The following account of the Plattsburg Church was furnished in August, 1906, by the pastor, Rev. H. P. McClintic.

"Our records show that a petition was presented, April 5, 1861, to Upper Missouri Presbytery, in session at the Crooked River Church, for the organization of a church here, signed by the following: James Burr, Mrs. Jane L. Burr, Ira Dunham, Matilda Edgar, Mrs. C. M. Hooper, Mrs. S. L. Hooper, Wm. P. Hooper, Mrs. M. E. Hughurt, Mrs. A. O. Morgan, R. S. Morgan, Cynthia Smawley, H. C. Smawley, J. J. Smawley, Mrs. M. E. Smawley, Mrs. M. Smith, Mrs. H. E. Snowden, Esther J. Trimble, James W. Trimble, Mrs. Amelia Turner, R. R. Turner and N. H. Whitehead. The petition was granted and Revs. J. C. Barnes, C. A. Wiley, and R. S. Shackelford were appointed a committee to meet in Plattsburg, Saturday, April 26, and to organize a church if the way be clear. This Committee met here on the day appointed, using the Methodist Church. Dr. Barnes preached from Hebrews 12:28. The church was duly organized, Dr. J. Burr and W. P. Hooper being elected ruling elders, and N. H. Whitehead, deacon. These were ordained and installed on the 27th, and W. P. Hooper made Clerk of Session. C. A. Wiley was 'solicited' to be their stated supply till the fall meeting of presbytery, for one-fourth of his time, and he became their first pastor.

"During the year 1863, Rev. John Scott was Moderator of the Session. We have no further record till 1866, at which time Rev. J. P. Fox is moderator. In 1867, Rev. Wm. Dickson is moderator; in 1869, Dr. A. P. Forman; in 1870, Rev. C. W. Price, and he continued so till 1875. Their next pastor was John P. Foreman, from 1875 to 1882; Rev. J. A. D. Hughes, 1882 to 1887.

"Mrs. A. O. Morgan is the only charter member left. Her husband, R. S. Morgan, died recently. He was truly a godly man."

The Mt. Olive congregation was organized April 28, 1861, by Rev. Robert E. Speer, in the McCollum school

house, with Jane Buzzard, John Buzzard, Eliz. J. Hefner, Eliza Kelly, Geo. W. Kelly, Alexander McCollum, Martin Rhea, Thos. Smith and Susan Whidbee, as members. A. McCollum and T. Smith were chosen elders. The former served as Clerk of Session from the organization till his death, December 17, 1898. He was always faithful to the cause of Christ, and there were times when this church would have been a thing of the past had it not been for the faithful work of Bro. McCollum in holding up and keeping the church together.

The roll of elders, including the above, is John Barrick, Edward Hutchinson, Wm. Mockbee, Wyly Milligan, W. L. Hefner, Thos. Alexander, Wm. Hendren, M. Y. Hillyard, Lewis Hendren, Frank Coffman, Alex. Murray, John A. Stone, S. H. Hefner, Walter Murray and Geo. Hendren. The deacons, from the organization till now are Lewis Hendren, Wm. Kemp, Henry Buzzard, S. H. Hefner, John McCollum and C. T. Morris.

The ministers who have served the church are R. E. Speer, —. Scoggins, Amos Coen, W. N. Nickell, W. D. Wood, M. E. Gaston, Levi Henshaw, J. H. Tharp, H. C. Shook, J. W. McGee, H. B. Dearing, E. J. Adams, S. S. Hardin, J. R. Adkins, Walter Bradley, E. L. Uptegrove and Henry A. Brown.

The church, a frame building, is six miles north of Bethany.

For the above we are indebted to Elder Lewis Hendren, Clerk of Session.

According to Dr. E. B. Sherwood's History of Platte Presbytery, published in 1888, the Union, since called Empire Prairie Church, was organized June 18, 1861. This date is doubtless correct, as the early records were not destroyed (by fire, with Elder Manley's house) till in October, 1895.

Elder Sylvester S. Manley, who came from Canton, Pa. in 1861, who has been an elder for thirty-three

years and has probably attended more meetings of Platte Presbytery than any other elder in it, gives the following: "This church was organized by Rev. J. N. Young, in a Cumberland Presbyterian church one mile south of Flag Springs, and was named Union as every man present was a 'Union' man. It is really the successor of a Presbyterian church which existed and held services near Flag Springs a number of years before this date. The charter members were George and Martha Boyles, Martin and Martha Boyles, Richard W. Shepard and wife and Mrs. T. C. Simpson. Martin Boyles was the first elder. The roll of elders is Martin Boyles, R. W. Shepard, James Howitt, Matthew McKinney, S. S. Manley, Elisha Coleman, E. Johnson, Robert Bonham, Roderick Bonham, L. P. Munson and A. B. Wray.

"Among the pastors are J. N. Young, M. L. Anderson, James B. Akey, James M. Morrison, F. G. Strange, F. E. Thompson, W. Weaver, John B. Rice (deposed later for immorality), S. W. Richards, James Reed, F. W. Grossman, U. G. Schell and D. M. Boyer. The church was erected in 1873, at a cost of $1400.

"Among the faithful workers in the early days were J. Howitt and wife, R. Bonham and wife, Sophia Bonham, Jane Brown and Mrs. E. Johnson; later Roderick Bonham and wife, A. B. Wray and wife, Wm. Vanatta and wife and C. A. Manley and wife."

Rev. J. M. Morrison, pastor in 1876, writes: "J. Howitt, M. McKinney, R. W. Shepard, S. S. Manley and R. Bonham, all elders then or later, of Union Church, are worthy of the highest praise. They were all staunch Christian men, honoring their profession by their godly lives and their activity in the services of God whom they loved and delighted to honor. Their hearts went out to the unsaved. Earnest—often agonizing—were their prayers in behalf of the impenitent and God honored their efforts and gave them 'souls for their hire.' Taking delight in communing with God and in associating with His people, they were al-

ways in their places, whether in the public services of the sanctuary, the prayer-meeting or the Sabbath school. And with their means they liberally supported the church and her various agencies.

"No less praise is due to a few devoted, earnest, faithful women of Union Church. Mrs. Peter Fleming, Mrs. R. W. Shepard, Mrs. M. McKinney, Mrs. S. S. Manley and Mrs. John and Mrs. Robert Bonham took an active part in the work of the church. They did what they could, and to them is owing in great measure, the success of the prayer meeting and the Sabbath school. They were regular in attendance and took part in the exercises, and their testimonies and prayers were 'a power.'"

The Westminster Church of St. Joseph, was organized by Dr. George I. King, of Quincy, Ill., November 9, 1863, "to furnish a church home for those who were loyal to the United States Government during those dark days, and brave enough to let it be known amid the prevailing disloyalty." The charter members were Guy C. Barton, Dr. and Mrs. Harvey Bradley, Mrs. Joseph Craig, G. F. Dexter, Mr. and Mrs. John De Clue, Allen L. Gilkison, Elbridge Gurney, Mrs. S. P. Hyde, Henry Lambrite, Jerome C. Lambrite, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lambrite, Mr. and Mrs. George Lyon, Thomas McFarland, Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. Willis M. Sherwood and Mrs. Mary Thompson, fourteen of whom had withdrawn from the Sixth Street Church. E. Gurney and Joseph Lambrite were chosen elders and Geo. Lyon and R. F. Maxwell, deacons.

Rev. Benj. B. Parsons, the first pastor, was called in February, 1864, at a salary of $1,200, payable quarterly, in advance. In April, 1865, a lot at the corner of Seventh and Felix streets was bought for $3,000, and the erection of a chapel begun. "We held our weekly prayer meeting in a one-story house on the same lot on which we were building, and during one of these meetings, a pistol ball entered a window,

passed over our heads and lodged in the opposite wall." The first report of the church to Presbytery was: "Thirty members; $6180 collected and paid out." The chapel was finished in 1866, at a cost of $21,000, including the lot. In October, 1872, by what was practically an exchange, Westminster Church came into possession of the building at the corner of Sixth and Faraon streets (see sketch of Sixth Street Church), which it occupied till it removed in 1895, to the new brick church at the corner of Twenty-first and Jule streets, built at a cost of about $13,000, of which $5,000 came from the sale of the old building and the rest was raised by the church.

Dr. Parsons resigned in January, 1868, and March 11, 1868, Rev. Henry Bullard, who began his labors on the third of May and is still the beloved pastor, was called. Rev. Joel Kennedy supplied the church during the interval.

Westminster was a missionary church from the first, and the coming and life service, later, of a pastor so remarkably in sympathy with the "common people," has deepened and intensified the missionary spirit. Most wisely it worked among the young. Its first mission Sunday school was in a colored Baptist church on Francis street, and was turned over to the First Baptist Church in 1869, in a very satisfactory and promising condition. Meanwhile, Westminster Chapel, costing (with the land) $1600, was built at the corner of Third and Isabelle streets, and a Sunday school opened in it in September, 1869. Mr. S. M. Markle, superintendent of the first mission Sunday school, was appointed to superintend this one, which was also a gratifying success from the first. The North, now the Third Street Church, grew out of this. The same summer a Sunday school, which resulted in the organization of the Oak Grove Church, was reorganized at the Maxwell school house, at the request of Mr. Logan Maxwell. Mr. Bullard preached several years alternately, either in the afternoon or evening, at these two points until supplied, and when they were vacant.

The next mission enterprise was undertaken in an unsupplied neighborhood north and west of Mt. Mora. A Sunday school was organized in May 1889, in Hope Chapel at the corner of Thirteenth and Highly streets, and Mr. Frank J. Behne was appointed superintendent. This developed, in 1893, into the now flourishing Hope Church. "During nearly four years, though living most of the time twenty-seven blocks away from Hope Chapel, Mr. Behne has been absent only three times, twice because of sickness, and once when absent from the city."

The elders who have served the church are Joseph Lambrite, Elbridge Gurney, Willis M. Sherwood, John De Clue, Robert F. Maxwell, James A. Nye, Hans Nielson, Wm. A. Baker, Geo. B. Armstrong, Wm. K. Adams, Henry M. Butler, Samuel P. Huston, Herschel Bartlett, Frank J. Behne, James A. Plotner, James R. Martin, Walter J. Sanders, Geo. D. Crothers, Frank L. Schreiber, Fred H. Reynolds, John W. Gaver, Edward T. Markle, Geo. M. Johnson, C. C. Russell and Chas. D. Bell.

Rev. Chas. H. Derr, Chenchow, Hunan, China, is the Foreign Missionary pastor. Silas F. Johnson, M. D., connected with our Africa Mission for the last fifteen years, was a member of the Westminster Church.

The following tribute to Elder John De Clue, who died October 23, 1899, is from his long-time pastor:

John De Clue was born of Huguenot stock, in the city of New York, January 6, 1821. He served three years in the navy as carpenter's mate, in the early forties. Admiral Foote was then Lieutenant and Executive Officer of the ship.

Mr. De Clue came to St. Joseph in the summer of 1859. His name appears among those who withdrew from the only Presbyterian church then existing in the city to organize the Westminster Church in November, 1863. Two years later, December 13, 1865, he was

elected elder and held the office until his death. None of the elders won a higher place in the confidence of the Presbytery, to which he was often sent by his brethren. He was Commissioner to the General Assembly four or five times. In ecclesiastical affairs as elsewhere, his rare ability, quickness to see, wisdom to plan and promptness and courage to execute, placed him in the forefront.

A stranger—with a wife and baby to support, and only his trade to depend upon; a Northerner—intensely loyal and outspoken in St. Joseph, Mo., in the bitter times of war, he accepted his discharge from a railroad bridge gang, rather than work on Sunday. Years after, when he had become the most prominent leader in political councils, the President of the Public Library Board, and one of the heaviest and best trusted contractors and builders in the city, he said his prosperity began from that date, for when men forsook him, the Lord took him up. What better indication could be given of the esteem in which he was held by those who knew him best, than this? He was authorized by Westminster Church and Society to build their present house of worship upon his own estimate of the cost, and nothing but a floor plan to show what it would be like. The last four years of his life were brightened by frequent assurances from the people that they were pleased with the job.

For thirty years he was his pastor's trusted counselor and most intimate friend.

The Session Book of the Dawn Presbyterian Church says: "Being desirous of obtaining the organization of a Presbyterian church in Dawn, Livingston Co., Mo., a number of Presbyterians and others petitioned the Presbytery of Des Moines to appoint a committee for this purpose. In answer to this request, Presbytery,

at its meeting in April, 1865, appointed Rev. Wm. Reed said Committee."

On the second Saturday of June, 1865, Rev. Wm. Reed organized, in the school house in Dawn, a church with the following members: Abraham and Mary Brown, Miss Melissa Brown, Wyley and Nancy J. Elliott and Robert and Elizabeth Reed. (A history of Livingston county gives also Mary M. and Minerva Brown, John Reed and wife, Dr. Rice (Dice) and wife, and Dr. Shields and wife. Probably these were early members.) A. Brown was unanimously elected elder and installed the next day, when Mrs. Hannah McClanathan was received on certificate. In November, 1865, R. M. and Ellinor McLawry and Thomas H. and Margaret Trussell were received. In 1870, a frame house of worship, costing about $1800, was erected. The first trustees, elected in 1873, were Wyley Elliott, Dr. T. R. Dice and Henry Bushnell.

The following ministers have served this church: Wm. Reed, J. D. Beard, J. Hood, James Reed, Geo. Case, John Hawkes, E. M. Palmer and J. T. Boyer. The roll of elders is: Abraham Brown, James J. Nellis, James D. Graham, Wyley Elliott, E. J. James, Frank B. Elliott, Dr. R. W. Murray, C. S. Bush and Thomas Griffiths.

"The Welsh Calvinistic Church had no connection with this church and was disbanded years ago, when Mr. Thomas Griffiths transferred his membership to this church."

For the above we are indebted to Rev. James Reed, twice the pastor, and Elder Evan J. James, Clerk of Session for many years. The disorder, disintegration and destitution of those days is illustrated by the above call for help on a Presbytery of another state.

Mr. W. F. Bradley, a student of Missouri Valley College, who supplied the Bethany Church in the sum-

mer of 1907, furnished the following, having found the early records after a long and persevering search:

The Bethany Church was organized September 10, 1865, by Rev. Robert E. Speer, with the following members: Bethuel Buck, Mary Buck, John Holland, Margaret Holland, Margaret Speer, Nancy D. Speer, Robert Speer, and Samuel P. Speer. Bethuel Buck was elected elder. The following year Wm. G. Lewis was chosen elder, a position which he filled with great acceptance for several years. The roll of Ruling Elders, including the above, is: J. A. Brewer, Marquis Gunn, M. K. Howell, H. L. Schnatterly, James Berry, Thomas M. Alexander, M. McCollum, Amos Morgan, Campbell Crossan, J. S. Pile, Thomas Linthacum, C. W. Gillidett, J. R. Cunningham, I. J. Wiedner, A. J. Fuller, W. S. Walker, S. E. Farmer and T. E. Stone.

The church has been served by Robert E. Speer, J. W. French, J. M. Ragan, J. H. Tharp, Amos Coen, Levi Henshaw, J. F. Rodgers, J. W. McGee, E. J. Adams, J. W. Duvall, W. J. Willis and J. T. Hood. (Edward D. Barnes came in 1908.)

The court house was used by the congregation till 1868, when a handsome brick church, forty by fifty, seating 350 and costing $2,000, was erected. This was used for more than a quarter of a century, being improved from time to time. Then, through the labors of Rev. J. W. McGee, a modern frame edifice was built. This was dedicated by Dr. H. W. Sears. During the ministry of Rev. E. J. Adams a beautiful manse was built, and in 1903, the church was enlarged by an addition, thirty by thirty-five. Various improvements and furnishings, then and since, have put the church in excellent condition; also it is free from debt.

Through the kindness of Elder James W. Watson, Clerk of Session since 1892, who was elected elder September 16, 1877, we are able to give the following:

The Stewartsville congregation was organized on

the fourth Sabbath of September, 1865, in the Methodist church, by Rev. W. O. H. Perry, with J. W. Brasington, Mary C. Brasington, Elizabeth Finch, Milton Finch, Margaret Hayter, Eliz. Perry, E. B. Perry, G. B. Perry, H. A. Perry, L. T. Perry, S. H. Perry, W. C. Perry, Eliz. Stagg and W. E. Stagg as members.

J. W. Brasington, L. T. Perry and W. E. Stagg were elected ruling elders and ordained by Rev. W. O. H. Perry. M. Finch and W. C. Perry, having been previously ordained ruling elders, were requested by the congregation to form a part of the Session. Since then the following have been elected elders: Wm. C. Stagg, Jacob B. Shewey, Ambrose D. Capps, James W. Watson, W. C. Hamilton, Daniel H. Capps, Jacob Hanson, E. T. Hoggett and Abraham Gregory.

An incomplete list of the ministers who have served the church is: F. M. Miller, R. D. Miller, O. D. Allen, W. O. H. Perry, W. C. Carter, James Froman, Arthur E. Perry, Matthew Patton and S. T. Divinia. The congregation has a fourth interest in the church, built in 1869.

1867—1874.

Dr. E. B. Sherwood, who organized the Breckenridge Church, puts the time in February, 1867, though others set it earlier. Doubtless it was organized in the winter of 1866-7. The records were burned in 1890, hence no complete lists can be given.

Among the ministers are: Joel Kennedy, John C. Young, T. C. Armstrong, C. P. Blayney, W. A. Cravens, L. H. Shock, E. H. Bull, C. G. Russell, W. E. Caldwell and James H. Weaver; among the elders, J. Morton, Geo. S. Will, A. C. Burbank, Frank Ward, James Erwin, Anson Salsbury, W. O. Hart, A. L. Roughmont and H. H. Denlon.

The first church built in 1867, was burned in 1882, and a new one, costing about $1800, was erected in 1887.

The following sketches were furnished by one who knew whereof he wrote:

"In the Church of Breckenridge no one has wrought more faithfully, nor done more to maintain and advance the organization than Mrs. Elizabeth M. Russel. Grandma Russel, as she is known to everyone, is from that true Kentucky stock which adheres to what it espouses with a faith and purpose that does not flag. She was a charter member of the church, is now in her ninetieth year, and has been at the head of every women's organization in the church, first or last. A woman who was always at the services, unless stress of weather or sickness prevented; a veritable inspiration to her pastors and one who would sacrifice to the last for the cause of her blessed Master and the beloved church. God has made very few like Grandma Russel; her presence has ever been a benediction and a blessing, in both the home and the church."

"Mrs. Rebecca Salsbury was of that Scotch ancestry of which martyrs are made, and her sixty-two

years of life exemplified the spirit of her progenitors. She belonged to everybody who had a need. She had been bought with the precious blood of Jesus, and her little sacrifices she deemed small compared with His. She was a charter member of the church at New York Settlement, and for years was one of the leading workers in that country church. In 1890 she removed to Breckenridge, and ever after was considered as an essential to the progress of the work. Together with Grandma Russel, you might see her coming and going to the Missionary or Aid Society, and the prayer service was her soul's delight. She did not hesitate to rebuke sin wherever found and in whatever guise it appeared, but she was one of those rare characters who could speak reproachfully and leave no sting in the heart of the one concerned most deeply. She finished her work here August 7, 1907, but her influence is felt, and her work is being carried on by others and younger ones who remember her most kindly."

The following is condensed from a very full history of the Hamilton Church, furnished by Tinsley Brown, M. D., long-time Clerk of Session:

The Hamilton Church was organized August 18, 1867, by Rev. J. P. Fox, with Mrs. Jane Collins, Wm. and Lucinda Gibson, Andrew and Elizabeth King, Miss Mary E. McAdoo, Samuel Quick, Wm. G. and Lucinda Stewart, Geo. and Mary Wilson and S. P. Wilson as members. W. Gibson and S. P. Wilson were chosen elders January 4, 1868, and W. G. Stewart, Dr. S. V. Stoller and James McAdoo were elected trustees. Services were held in various halls and churches till in 1872, when the Free Methodist church was bought. This was used till the spring of 1899, when it was replaced by a handsome brick-veneered building, costing about $4,000, under the supervision of Rev. Geo. H. Williamson, one of the most noted, honored and inveterate church builders in the State.

The church has been supplied by J. P. Cox, Joel Kennedy, Wm. M. Reed, T. C. Armstrong, J. C. Young, H. M. Rogers, H. M. Sydenstricker, J. D. Walkinshaw, James P. Green, G. H. Williamson, W. I. Doole and John C. Templeton. The roll of elders is S. P. Wilson, W. Gibson, Dr. S. V. Stoller, Wm. F. Pickell, C. A. Green, Dr. Tinsley Brown, Dr. Wm. T. Lindley, D. C. McDonald, J. V. Haughawout, Finis A. Martin, Joel R. Morse, Geo. S. Will, Hugh C. Stockton, S. H. Town, Ira Houghton, E. C. Stewart and J. L. Morgan.

This is a healthy, well organized and active church, and has been self-supporting since 1890. Drs. T. Brown and W. T. Lindley have served continuously in the Session for more than twenty-five years.

But little information about the Elk Horn Church has been obtained. It was organized October 16, 1867, tradition says, by Rev. Daniel Patton. Because of its isolated situation it has been very insufficiently supplied with gospel ministrations, and consequently has languished. Its church, valued at $500, is situated nine miles northwest of Richmond. In 1907, D. W. Pettus, Clerk of Session, C. D. Houchin and S. H. Degraffenreid were the elders.

August 14th, 1908, this church was dismissed by Kansas City Presbytery to the Methodist Church, South. This was done that the Master's work might be carried on more efficiently, because there was no other Presbyterian church with which it could reasonably be grouped. This is a delightful example of the spirit of comity and loyalty to the Master, which, we trust, will grow mightily and prevail.

A Presbyterian church was organized in Cameron about 1859, probably by Rev. Ralph Harris, but having become disorganized during the Civil War, it was dropped from the roll of Upper Missouri Presbytery

September 18, 1865. Nothing else definite is known about this early church.

What follows is almost wholly from the records very painstakingly furnished by Miss Mary V. Craig.

In 1867, a movement being made to build a church in connection with the regular Baptists, a Presbyterian organization became necessary as well as desirable, and Rev. N. H. Smith, then residing at Oregon, visited the field. In consequence he organized a church at the house of Mr. Peter Fisher, on the evening of the twenty-fifth of October, 1867, with the following members: Peter and Rebecca Fisher, Samuel and Maria Hall, and Mrs. Mary C. Harwood. (A history in the Kansas City Library adds Mary Frame and Nancy Shults to the preceding.) P. Fisher and S. Hall were elected elders and have been followed since by George Smith, E. J. Wheeler, M. J. Weir, J. H. Shuts, J. R. Brockman, P. H. Kipp, H. W. Garrett, John Ewing, H. C. Stockton, H. E. Silsbee, W. W. Howard, James Craig, Thomas Foy, H. B. Cooper, Hugh A. Steel, J. W. Rawson, James W. Grant, Samuel M. Sifers, J. C. Dilliner, J. H. Conley and J. W. DeWalt.

At the organization S. Hall, P. Fisher and John H. Shuts were chosen trustees. December 14, 1870, the Board of Trustees having met to consider the erection of a house of worship, Rev. J. M. Green being in the chair, it was decided to build one and to withdraw from the Baptist church. Hence the present church, costing about $5,000, which was remodeled in 1890, was built.

The church has been supplied by N. H. Smith, J. N. Green, Jos. H. France, J. H. Hunter, J. C. Young, A. W Lawrence, John Foy, W. A. Cravens, H. A. Sawyers, J. C. Hanna, A. C. V. Skinner, Geo. Miller, E. S. Farrand, J. H. Shields, E. W. Waits and Perry A. Tinkham.

The Records of the Easton Church (U. S. A.) say: "In accordance with previous arrangement, those

who were interested in the organization of a Presbyterian church at Easton, Mo., assembled at Forbes' Hall on the ninth day of November, 1867. Of those who had previously signed a paper requesting to be organized into a Presbyterian Church, the following responded to their names: Calvin C. Colt, Chester L. Colt and Bradford Morgan from the Presbyterian Church of Scottsville, N. Y.; H. M. Towne from the Fort Street Church, Detroit; Anne E. and Mary C. Starrett from the Presbyterian Church of Antioch, Mo.; Mrs. S. T. Butler from the First Presbyterian Church of Denver, Colo.; Capt. H. S. Buck from ————————Ill.; Mrs. H. Buck from the Protestant Methodist Church of Brookline, Ill.; W. A., Mrs. Anna M., Emma H. and Laura D. Irwin from the M. E. Church of Brownsville, Ind.; John T. and Mrs. Atlanta Taylor, from a M. E. Church in Philadelphia; Mrs. C. E. Palmer from a Congregational Church in Cleveland, O.; John and Mrs. Anna E. Reisch of the United Brethren Church; Mrs. Jane Tuck of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and Alex. and Mrs. Nancy Starrett and Cora Bell Morgan, on the profession of their faith.

"C. C. Colt and B. Morgan were chosen elders, and Alex. Starrett, deacon, and H. S. Buck, S. T. Butler, Geo. Chandler, Henry Iba and W. A. Irwin, trustees. On December 17, Calvin W. Benight and Dr. Isham B. Talbot were added to the Board of Trustees."

Dr. E. B. Sherwood, the Presbyterial Missionary, was the organizer. In 1868, Ephraim Bowen and Dr. Geo. M. Loomis were added to the Session; Thomas A. Gray, in 1869, and Hugh Carmichael, Alex. C. Denney and Horace Scovill in May, 1874. A commodious house of worship, forty by sixty feet, was soon erected. The Church prospered greatly for a time. A revival in the winter of 1867-8, brought in eighty-eight members, and another in 1870-1, twenty-two more. In 1868, 103 members were reported to the General Assembly, but in consequences of deaths and numerous removals caused by the failure of the town to become

an important railroad point, and the ravages of the hog cholera, which almost beggared the farmers, only fourteen members were reported in 1884. In the earlier years the Church was regularly supplied by J. M. Green, T. D. Roberts and J. F. Clarkson, and briefly by others, but latterly it has been marked "vacant" all the time. The community have kept the church in repair, and all religious services, including an evergreen Union Sunday school, have been held in it.

Some time in 1906, Platte Presbytery A. transferred the Easton (C. P.) Church to Platte Presbytery (U. S. A.). The united church, which has been supplied by R. H. Craig and E. G. Haymaker, has been greatly revived and enlarged. Its elders include J. W. Wright, H. Carmichael, Geo. S. Homon, Wm. T. Davis, James M. Gibson, Cyrus Slaybaugh, John M. Starrett and T. B. Vaughn.

The late Easton (C. P.) Church has (greatly to our regret) furnished no data. All we can give is the following, taken from the minutes of the Cumberland General Assembly for 1905: It was then supplied by Rev. R. H. Craig; it had preaching once a month; Dr. J. W. Mays was its clerk of session; its membership was fifty-one; it had paid its pastor $140, and it had contributed $14 to its Woman's Board of Missions.

Hugh Carmichael had been, for many years before the union, the only elder in the church which he had served since 1874. For thirty years (up to the union) he was clerk of session. For a long time he was superintendent of the Sabbath school. He was an active temperance worker, especially among the young. Unblessed with early religious and educational privileges, he became the pillar of the church and a mighty power for good. Modest, irrepressible, and unswerving from duty, "Uncle Hugh" (as he was familiarly called by all) held the respect and good will of every citizen of Easton.

The Lathrop Church was organized April 12, 1868, at the Phelps school house, by Revs. J. P. Fox

and N. H. Smith, and Elder D. Cooper, with David C. and Louisa Barber, Mrs. Sarah Byers, Stewart and E. J. Gilchrist, Mrs. Janie E. James, L. W. Lee, Thomas H. McKee, A. A. and Mrs. Monroe, Peter and Jane Pence, Alex. and Mary Service, James and Nancy Templeton and Mrs. Sarah Welsh as members. A. A. Monroe and L. W. Lee were elected elders.

With the above, the roll of elders is Peter Pence, Silas W. Skinner, D. C. Barber, W. W. McKee, Wm. Z. Thompson, Cyrus E. Green, Bryant Welsh, J. W. Carruthers, Walter Wilson, David S. Brillhart, J. I. Coulson, J. F. Stevens, T. H. McKee, James H. Eames and A. C. Welsh.

The following ministers, in their successive order, have served the church: N. H. Smith, J. W. Allen, Jos. H. France, H. Chadeayne, S. G. Fisher, John S. Gourley, J. H. Hunter, J. C. Young, W. T. Scott, J. L. D. Hughes, E. McNair, John Wilson, A. W. McGlothlan, T. B. Terhune, L. H. Shock, T. D. Roberts, David C. Davies, Wm. H. Lytle and Charles E. Edwards.

A church building was erected in 1869 and was used continuously until about 1900, when it was sold and a newer and more modern building, known as the Calvary Baptist Church, was purchased. This is now occupied under the most acceptable ministry of the Rev. C. E. Edwards.

The church has always successfully maintained the two essential auxiliaries of a church, the prayer meeting and the Sabbath school, and has been an uplifting power in the community. Among those worthy of special mention are Elder C. E. Green, who at all times answered to the call of duty, esteeming it a privilege, and Elder W. W. McKee and wife, strong, influential and active members till they were called higher. The ministry of the church has usually been of a high order of intelligence and fitness. Notably in the list are the names of Bros. France, McNair,

McGlothlan and Terhune. The records of sessional meetings are a tribute to some of the Sessional clerks, especially to L. W. Lee, S. W. Skinner, W. W. McKee, C. E. Green, J. W. Carruthers and J. I. Coulson. These records give a good idea of the activities of the church, and form a large part of its history.

The above is from a fuller sketch by Elder J. M. Eames, Clerk of Session.

The Bethlehem congregation was organized November 4, 1868, by Rev. T. M. Crider, at the Grout schoolhouse, Jackson township, Grundy county. The charter members were G. W. Alldridge, J. S. Alldridge, M. J. Alldridge, W. E. Alldridge, T. M. Barnett, M. Bomon, R. B. Bomon, Jothiel Boyles, Mary T. Boyles, A. Huntsinger, H. H. Huntsinger, M. W. Huntsinger, C. K. Wood and J. E. Wood. T. M. Barnett, J. Boyles and C. K. Wood were the first elders; J. H. Handel, John Preston, George Ward and Wm. Millan came later. The church was supplied by Revs. I. Chivington, F. M. Miller, L. F. Hayes, C. B. Powers, J. H. Tharp and James Froman. Their house of worship was built in King City in 1874, and probably the name of the church was changed to King City about that time.

The above was furnished chiefly by Mr. Ephraim W. Salisbury, Clerk of Session.

In 1906, a happy union was effected between this and the King City Church (U. S. A.). The latter church was organized May 1, 1872, by Rev. M. L. Anderson and Elder Matthew McKinley, with the following members: Eben E. and Cornelia M. Blacklock, Thomas D. and Nicolas Collow, Geo. Furguson, Chas. H. and Milley Graham, A. J. and Mary J. McMillan, David McMillan, W. J. and Anne J. McMillan, Mary J. Morris, Nancy J. Ross, John S. and S. O. Vanderveer, J. Harvey and Caroline White, Mathew and Eliza Williamson, Wm. and Mary A. Williamson, Hattie A. Winchester and T. P. Winchester. J. H. White was elected elder. The roll of elders included W

J. McMillan, Philip M. Adams, C. H. Graham, T. Blacklock, Adolph Stevenson, John D. Venderveer and L. T. Moulton. The ministers were J. M. Morrison, F. G. Strange, F. E. Thompson, J. F. Clarkson, W. Weaver, J. B. Rice, S. W. Richards, M. J. McLeod, J. C. Hanna, A. B. Herr, F. W. Grossman, C. C. Armstrong and K. F. Cardy. The church was built in 1888, at a cost of $2,700.

For the above we are indebted to Elder A. Stevenson, Clerk of Session for fifteen years or more.

The very efficient pastor of the united church is George E. Newell.

In 1906, Mrs. C. M. Blacklock, a teacher in the Sabbath school from the first, sent some very interesting reminiscences, from which the following extracts are made:

"Our meetings were held for years in a school house on the open prairie which was later destroyed by a cyclone. The country was thinly settled, and the people came from long distances in farm wagons and on horseback, from different directions and without regard to roads, the prairie being then unfenced." "We helped them (the Cumberlands) to build a church which we used on alternate Sabbaths, paying for wood, coal and janitor's salary for both congregations, as rent." "In 1885, Rev. Willis Weaver came to be our pastor, and during the three years that he remained with us, our church took on new life, and under his superintendence and leadership, we built the cozy little church which we now occupy." "The members of our church were very loyal and earnest people, but one family, I think, should be mentioned as stalwarts in the early history of our church. I refer to Elder Harvey White and his wife and her two maiden sisters, the Misses Rannals. Of those who by their strong faith and deep spirituality are surely entitled to be mentioned as 'Mothers in Israel' are Mrs. Janet Giddis Smith, Mrs. S. O. Vanderveer and Mrs. Nancy Ross.

Grandma Ross is still with us, and as much interested in her church as ever.''

The first pastor writes: ''Harvey White, the elder, was 'one of the few.' Strong in faith and consecrated to the work, his life was a benediction to the community. His works of charity and his efforts in behalf of the lost, keep his memory fresh in the minds of many.''

The Union Church of Maryville was organized by Dr. E. B. Sherwood, December 13, 1868.

Miss Emma G. Canan wrote in 1906: ''The charter members were gathered from the Old School, New School and United Presbyterian Churches, and this led to its being called the Union Presbyterian Church. Two of those members are still living in Maryville, Mr. Wm. W. Jackson and Rebecca, his wife, both of whom have been faithful, always at all the services, both Sabbath and mid-week. Our first pastor was Rev. James H. Crawford, who not only preached on the Sabbath and conducted the mid-week service, but worked on the building till it was completed and dedicated.''

The charter members as given by Mr. W. W. Jackson were: Miss Bell Andrews, Miss Letitia Andrews, Homer A. Avery, John and Mollie J. Blair, John Edwards, Lewis C. Evans, David T. Geiger, Mrs. Hightman, Wm. W. and Rebecca A. Jackson, Mrs. L. C. Leiber, Mrs. O'Riley and Mrs. Prather. A history in the Kansas City Library adds to these: Mrs. Rebecca Evans, Mrs. Rebecca Geiger, Wm. Geiger and John Jackson. These were probably early members. The same authority gives J. Blair, J. Edwards and D. T. Geiger as the elders, and J. E. Alexander, F. P. Glasgow and W. H. Purviance as the trustees.

No roll of ministers or elders has been furnished, but we can give of the former—J. M. Crawford, W.

G. Thomas, A. D. Workman, James A. Gerhard, A. M. Reynolds, F. P. Berry, S. M. Ware, Chas. E. Kircher and Chas. P. Luce; of the latter, J. Blair, J. Edwards, D. T. Geiger, John W. Bell, Joseph Jackson, J. B. Morrison, M. D., O. S. Hotchkin, Wm. M. Howell, W. H. Davey, Geo. Worst, F. M. Petty, Chas. Wells, Jos. McKee, J. A. McAnulty, O. P. Torrance, Peter Griswold, L. C. Evans, H. T. Crane, Wm. O. Sawyers, John M. Scott, S. G. Gillam, Prof. H. A. Colbert and S. A. Farmer.

In 1889-1890, a division occurred which resulted in the organization of the Second Church. This lamentable breach was happily healed in the summer of 1893, largely through the influence of Rev. R. Cameron Townsend, the last paster of the Second Church, by the union of the two churches, forming the present First Church.

Rev. Geo. Sluter, of St Louis, on January 17, 1869, organized a church at Carrollton, with James E. January, Chas. Sterne, Wm. H. Walker and Wm. R. Wilson as elders, and Thomas L. Montgomery, and Isaac A. McCombs as deacons. The records are not full, and only through the persistent efforts of Elder Robert W. Steel (in 1905), are we able to give so nearly a complete list of the original members. These were Wm. Austin, Miss Eliz. Brand, Martha A. Cowles, J. E. January, John B. and Mary C. Lindsey, Misses Sallie and Virginia Lindsey, I. A. McCombs, T. L. and Mary Montgomery, C. Sterne, Isaac H. Walker, W. H. Walker, James F. Wilson, W. R. Wilson and Miss Nancy Young.

In addition to the above the roll of elders is Richard Jackson, Thomas Orchard, A. L. McCorkle, M. D., W. D. Dobson, S. Kirkwood Turner, Smith C. Rea, R. W. Steele, John D. Valbracht, James L. Grant, Wm. R. Painter, James F. Farnham, Robert W. Brown, E. D. McCorkle, Arthur C. Phillips, Andrew Finlayson, J. B. Stanley and J. W. Howell.

The first pastor was J. M. Scott, who has been followed by S. T. Ruffner, Geo. A. McKinlay, W. D. Patton, R. M. Carson, J. H. Dixon, B. H. Dupuy, S. W. Griffin, C. C. Armstrong, E. A. Boyd, Wm. A. Cravens, James T. Crane and John A. Ward.

A frame church costing about $2,000 was built in 1869, and very recently a new brick church valued at $10,000 has been erected. The old one, attached to it, is used for Sabbath school and prayer meeting. A manse costing $2,750 has recently been built. The church owes very much to Mr. Samuel Painter, the father of Elder W. R. Painter. Though languishing at times, the church is now full of life and energy.

A. Finlayson, Clerk of Session, has kindly supplemented Elder Steel's earlier history and brought this up to date.

The following sketch was furnished by an early pastor, Rev. Geo. A. McKinlay.

"The two men whose personalities stand out prominently in this church in the early days succeeding the war, are Richard Jackson and Dr. McCorkle. Complete opposites in birth, training and character, they yet had in common that sturdy American sense of right and independence, crowned by a genuine Christian spirit, which drew them together in strong bonds of affection and mutual respect. Mr. Jackson, coming from the North, was keen in his sympathies with the Union cause; Dr. McCorkle, descended from the "F. F. Vs.," was taken prisoner during the campaigns of Gen. Price's army. Each held to his convictions tenaciously, but never a jar marred all their relations as members and elders in the Carrollton Church. Such men are brilliant types of the forceful manhood that has laid so broad and deep the foundations of the churches of old Platte Presbytery."

The Avalon Church, for a time called Fairview,

was organized April 8, 1869, by Rev. J. D. Beard and Elder Abraham Brown, in a school house two miles north of Avalon, with the following members: Agnes Altman, Jane Fullerton, Mary Fullerton, Mary A. Fullerton, Margaret Gray, S. A. Gray, Wm. S. Gray, David Linton, Jimmie Linton, Henrietta Manson, Margaret Manson, Mary Myers, Simeon Myers, David Shields, Mary Shields and Nannie B. Shields, W. S. Gray, S. Myers and D. Shields were chosen elders. In addition to these the church has had the following elders: John K. Sweeney, S. A. Gray, V. C. Bates, James W. Edmonds, Leroy Myers, Ross Canning and Adrian Wright. The church has been supplied by J. D. Beard (for twelve years), James Reed, John Hawkes, Geo. Case, W. C. McCune, James Welch, James A. Liggett, James A. Gehrett, A. D. Wolfe and T. C. Armstrong.

In 1875 they built a church costing about $2,200. In 1888-1889, the citizens of Avalon—virtually the Presbyterian Church—highly appreciating the value of educational facilities, purchased the "Avalon College" building from the United Brethren. Later the Institution was taken under the care of Platte Presbytery. A heroic struggle to sustain it was carried on for years, but finally abandoned in 1898. The church, built in 1875, "was sold in 1892, and the proceeds applied towards the purchase of the College property." While the movement was disastrous financially, it showed the spirit of the church and reflected great credit upon it. From it have gone forth one home missionary, Rev. James D. Sweeney, and one medical missionary, Dr. John L. Myers of Alaska, while others of its youth have taken a liberal education.

Simeon Myers was born in Ohio and came to Indiana with his parents. He had a faithful Christian mother who, herself, gathered her eight children around the family altar till Simeon was converted at sixteen and took part with her until he left home to teach school. After serving in the 63rd Illinois Infantry till the close of the war, he moved with his

family to Avalon. After being Clerk of Session for twenty-four years, he retired from active service because of infirmity. He has a son in missionary work, and another preparing for it.

For much of the above we are indebted to S. A. Gray, Clerk of Session for the last fifteen years, and an active elder for over a quarter of a century.

The Rosendale Church was organized May 22, 1869, by Rev. J. N. Young and Elder R. Muir, with eleven members. It has been served by Revs. M. L. Anderson, W. E. Voss, James Reed, Wm. A. Smith, W. A. Cravens and A. W. McGlothlan. An incomplete list of elders is J. W. Porterfield, David Atkinson, Thomas B. Howard, John H. Graff, James P. Anderson, James A. Porterfield, James B. Muir and George Baum. The church, erected in 1871, cost $600, all of which was raised at home.

The above was furnished by Elder J. P. Anderson.

The Harmony congregation was organized at the Hurdle store, five miles northwest of Easton, August 1, 1869, by Rev. W. O. H. Perry, with eight members. John G. Williams and John Simmons were elected and ordained ruling elders. March 26, 1870, the church then having thirty-one members, elected Wm. Cornelius and Dr. John H. Wright as elders, and Isaac Clark and John Davis as deacons. April 1, 1870, the congregation was received under the care of Platte Presbytery, and "Rev. W. O. H. Perry engaged as ministerial supply one Sabbath in each month for one year, with the understanding that he effect an exchange of pulpits each alternate month with Rev. F. M. Miller, the congregation agreeing to pay the sum of $125.00 per year."

The above extracts from the Records were furnished by Mr. W. E. Knadler, Clerk of Session. The

Records being very incomplete, little more is given. The elders known, in addition to those named above, are Geo. Bermond, Simeon Hefley and John Cornelius. The frame church, valued at $1,000, six miles northwest of Easton, was built in 1870.

The New York Settlement Church was organized in the "Radical" school house, October 3, 1869, by Revs. E. D. Sherwood and Joel Kennedy, with five members: Eliz. Austin, Sarah A. Filson, John Q. Peck, Mary, Scott and Thomas Wilson. T. Wilson was elected elder, and James L. Filson, J. Q. Peck and A. C. Sears, trustees. J. Kennedy served as pastor for seven years, and has been followed by T. C. Armstrong, J. C. Young, C. P. Blayney, W. A. Cravens, And. Glendenning, L. H. Shock, E. H. Bull, C. G. Russell, W. E. Caldwell and J. H. Weaver.

A probably incomplete list of elders is: T. Wilson, Anson Salsbury, J. Q. Peck, Ira Houghton, Geo. S. Will, S. H. Towne, L. R. Thwing, L. M. Hill and S. M. Towne.

The church, built in 1878, at a cost of $1,389.71, is situated twelve miles southwest of Breckenridge.

We are indebted to Elder S. M. Towne for the above.

Always small and feeble, this church has been, like so many country churches, a feeder for other churches and the church at large, having supplied one home missionary, Rev. James H. Salsbury, and one missionary teacher (among the Mormons), Miss Cora M. Owen. Weak in numbers, it has been strong in the persistent devotion of its leading members.

A former pastor sends the following tribute:

"Mrs. Leonard Towne and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Etta Towne are certainly worthy of mention as 'Mothers in Israel.' The first, while not one to take

a leading part in public, would always urge others forward and hold up their hands. The latter was a very superior woman and possessed many rare gifts, all fused into a noble Christian character. That sweet spirit was also strong in its influence in the home and the church. It was the living of these two women in the home that led their husbands to come out on the Lord's side."

The Oak Grove Church was organized December 12, 1869, by Rev. E. B. Sherwood, in the Maxwell school house, one mile north of the limits of St. Joseph, with the following members: Huston, Isabel, Melissa and Orlena Bazar, Lorenda and Wm. R. Becraft, Francis N. Brinson, Marion Carswell, Geo. W. Casteel, Martha E. Cox, Clarinda and Jacob Decker, Benton W., Fannie M., Wickliffe and Sarah E. Estes, James P. Gardner, Mary Ann Gilbert, Joshua and Mary Ann Haxton, Biddie and J. W. Mansfield, Rebecca Matthews, Annie E., Charles, John A., Julia, Logan, Mary E. and Susan K. Maxwell, Missouri Ann Murry, John Newman, Cora, Mary Ann and Wm. A. Rhodes, Marion Ann Self, John Sullivan, Sallie C. and Wm. Van Horn and Mary A. Welsh.

The early elders were L. Maxwell, J. Haxton and W. Becraft. Since 1895, H. A. Matthews, A. P. Moorman, P. H. Woods, G. W. Whitsett and I. Roup have been elected.

The church has been supplied by E. D. Sherwood, W. H. Ilsley, T. D. Roberts, S. F. Wilson, John I. Curtis and D. B. Whimster.

In 1871, a frame church costing about $1,400 was built on land donated by Elder Maxwell. In 1904-5, a brick church costing about $5,000 was built on the same site, being "finished through the fidelity and diligence of the pastor, Rev. J. T. Curtis." The manse stands on a half-acre lot.

This church was the outgrowth of a Sabbath school carried on by the Westminster Church of St. Joseph,

and was, at first and for years, whenever vacant, supplied on alternate Sabbaths by the honored pastor of that church. It flourished for years and raised up two faithful ministers, A. M. Reynolds and C. C. Armstrong, but was finally reduced, by removals, death and the organization of another church in the same neighborhood, to a membership of three, and in 1891, of two. Elder Maxwell, with wise foresight, persistently refused the disbandment of the church, and the sale of the building. A flourishing church there to-day fully justifies him. Elder Matthews, who furnished most of the above, has been a worthy successor in zeal and efficiency.

The following sketch would be equally in place among the "Early Pioneers."

"Logan Maxwell was born March 25, 1813, in Caldwell county, Ky. His father dying when he was a lad of seven years, he was obliged to look out for himself, and as the schools of that period were conducted upon the subscription plan, he received very little education. In 1836, he married Sarah K. Beard of Tennessee, sister of Dr. Richard Beard of Cumberland Presbyterian fame. She was the mother of eleven children, and died June 17, 1891, aged seventy-five years. In the fall of 1837, he arrived in the state of Missouri, having started two months previous, with his wife and babe, in a one-horse cart. On reaching the Ohio River, he traded his horse for a yoke of oxen. He settled on the land where he lived till the day of his death, June 13, 1904, a wild, uncultivated tract. St. Joseph was then only a mere trading post, four miles distant. He cradled many an acre of wheat where the large business houses of the city now stand, eating his dinner on the hill now occupied by the Court House. His first work, after taking his claim, was to build a log shanty, the floor of puncheon and the roof of clapboards. In order to purchase his first cow he bargained to make 2,500 rails.

"Mr. Maxwell always took an active part in edu-

cational and religious matters, and was very generous in his gifts for their support, donating a site for the school. He was first a member of a Cumberland church in the country north of the city. At the close of the war he transferred his membership to the Westminster Church. In 1869, meetings were held in the Maxwell school house, and as a result the Oak Grove Church was organized, largely through his influence. Through all the years of its struggle for existence, and for several years it was kept alive solely by his gifts. In his morning and evening devotions he was never known to fail to pray for its success, and during the last days of his life the building of a new church was his constant theme of conversation with all. His last business transaction was the giving of two personal checks of $1,000, with the request that the old church be torn down and the new one be begun at once. The last service held in the old building was his funeral. The beautiful new building stands to-day, a monument of his love and devotion and prayers."

The Mt. Zion congregation was organized March 26, 1870, by Rev. F. M. Miller, with the following members: Wm. J. Arthur and wife, Wm. Brown and wife, Wiley H. Chapman and wife, J. T. Elder and wife, John Evans and wife, George Grace, Wm. James and wife, W. J. McCorkle and wife, Laban Pritchard and wife, Mrs. Janet Robertson, Elmira Sharp and James Weir and wife. J. Weir, J. T. Elder and L. Pritchard were chosen elders.

This church has been served by Revs. F. M. Miller, Leander F. Hayes, W. O. H. Perry, C. D. Powers, J. H. Tharp, James Froman, C. E. Hayes, Arthur E. Perry and S. T. Divinia. The later elders are W. H. Chapman, Paul Norris, Robert Onstalt, John H. Young, S. M. Mayes, John Aitken, Benjamin Cottrell, R. D. Parker and Edward Moore. The house of worship is six miles south of St. Joseph Court House.

The above has been kindly furnished by Elder W. H. Chapman, Clerk of Session.

This is one of the few churches having a glebe. It has a very large Sabbath school, and is a power for good in the community.

The Rockport Church was organized May 11, 1870, by Revs. J. M. Morrison and W. H. Cummins, and Elder G. R. Luckhardt, with Mrs. E. L. Hawthorn, Robert Lynn, Margaret McMillan, Samuel Morrison, Eliza Snyder, Martha Thompson and Wm. A. Thompson as members. R. Lynn was chosen elder.

The Records being imperfect, the following lists may be incomplete: Ministers, J. M. Morrison, E. B. Sherwood, Luther Dodd, H. T. S. Willis, F. J. Reichert, W. E. Vose, James Kirkwood, Jos. Wood, James E. Leyda, J. A. Currie, R. D. West and John Duncan. Elders: R. Lynn, W. N. Curry, Chas. Shepperson, James H. Filson, Wm. Bentley, Wm. H. Gordon, Prof. J. U. Crosen and L. C. Christian. The church costing about $3,000, was built in 1877.

The above was furnished by Judge W. H. Gordon, Clerk of Session.

The fact that many of the officers of this church have been high county officials has added to its influence, but has also been a drawback because their stay in it has been limited by their terms of office.

This church has long been rich in the possession of Elder Charles Shepperson, a native of Virginia and of a noted ministerial family, who as a popular teacher on the rich, but religiously destitute Missouri bottom lying near, has been also a spiritual teacher and guide to multitudes of youth.

Rev. Joel Kennedy, who began preaching in the Eureka school house in Lincoln township, Caldwell

county, in April, 1870, organized a church at that point in conjunction with Rev. E. B. Sherwood, on Saturday, August 13, 1870, with the following members: David and Rachel Cooper, and James M. and Sarah M. Cooper, from the Crooked River Church; Sam'l F. Gallaher, and Thomas B. and Jane Gallaher, from Deersville, O.; Henry W. Botsford from Martinsburg, N. Y., and Charles L. Botsford from Franklin, O.; D. Cooper and H. W. Botsford were elected elders, and S. F. Gallaher, deacon. In the next two days, Mary C. Cooper, Wm. C. Cooper and Mrs. Eliz. Miller were received on profession of their faith. The church was called the First Presbyterian Church of Lincoln Township, but sometimes appears in various published Minutes as Glassville (its nearest post office).

The Pleasant View Church was organized May 28, 1874, at the Baker school house (where Rev. Geo. A. McKinlay had been preaching over a year), by Revs. E. B. Sherwood, J. H. France, C. W. Higgins and Joel Kennedy, a committee appointed by Platte Presbytery, with ten members. Of these, John C. and Jane Adams were received by letter from the Lincoln Church; Robert T. and M. A. Mylar, from the Mirabile Church, and Sarah Lizzie Adams, Joseph M. and Harriet Baker, Miss Jennie M. Baker, and Pleasant M. and Charity E. Shafer on the profession of their faith. J. M. Baker and R. T. Mylar were chosen elders. August ninth, J. C. Adams was elected elder, and P. M. Shafer, deacon.

February 24, 1877, a meeting of the above two congregations, moderated by Rev. John F. Clarkson, was held in the Shelleberger school house, when the two churches united under the name of Lincoln, and retained all their officers as follows: J. M. Baker, J. C. Adams, R. T. Mylar, T. B. Gallaher and James Tait, elders, and P. M. Shafer and S. F. Gallaher, deacons.

Preaching services were held at various points till 1884, when a house of worship costing over $1,100 was erected at Glassville, on land donated by Aaron

Pfost. In consequence of the coming of a railroad, the building was removed, in 1893, about two miles to Cowgill, and the name of the church changed to Cowgill.

The elders, in addition to those named above, are Alvin Poor, R. H. Whitsitt; J. H. Conley, Wm. Claude Poor, R. A. McPheeters, Samuel C. Ludington and J. H. Whitsitt.

The church has been supplied by Joel Kennedy, G. A. McKinlay, J. F. Clarkson, Wm. C. Smith, W. T. Scott, A. B. Goodale, G. E. Northrup, J. T. Boyer, J. W. Todd, James Reed, C. G. Russell, C. E. Edwards. John Wilson, Pastor-at-large, preached frequently from 1893 to 1897, and secured the removal of the church building to Cowgill.

For the above we are indebted to Alvin Poor, Clerk of Session, and elder for twenty-five years, and Rev. James Reed.

Elder G. D. Shewey, of Trimble, Clerk of Session, writes:

The Bethany congregation was organized at the Kelley school house, September 3, 1870, by Rev. Isaac Chivington. The church, a frame building valued at $1,000, is situated four miles northeast of Trimble. It is now supplied by Rev. C. E. Edwards. We regret not having a fuller sketch of this large and important country church.

The Knox Church was organized the second Tuesday of September, 1871, by Revs. T. Morgan, N. H. Smith and D. McRuer, and Elder Wm. Allen, a committee of Platte Presbytery, with the following members: Walter Gladstone, Wm. C. Gladstone, Peter McPherson, Robert Pringle, James Shillinglaw, Hugh Wallace and John Wallace and their wives, and Mrs.

Mary T. McRuer. M. Gladstone and H. Wallace were elected elders. These elders and most, if not all the church members came from Scotland, by way of Canada. In addition to these, Samuel Maxwell, Wm. C. Gladstone and Alex. Gladstone have been elders. The church has been supplied by Duncan McRuer, John Huston, Wm. Meyer, Carson Reed, James Kirkwood, Duncan McRuer and C. C. Armstrong.

The above has been furnished by Elder Alex. Gladstone, for about twenty years Clerk of Session and the only active elder.

The church building, three and a half miles northeast of Gentry, a new railroad town, and till recently far from any town, is on a broad prairie and visible from afar. The church spiritual has been a beacon light for this whole section, for though meagerly supplied with preaching because of its isolation, an evergreen Sabbath school has been maintained, superintended these many years most efficiently and attractively by Mrs. Alex. Gladstone.

The Aubery Grove congregation was organized at Ketron Chapel, September 4, 1871, by Revs. Wm. M. Houston and Wm. S. Davis. The charter members were Hanna Buzzard, Susan T. Callison, Bell Caraway, Jane, Mary B. and Robert B. Foster, Eliz., Margaret, Simeon and Virginia Hamlin, Ella R. and Virginia Hill, John Lockridge, Carrie McCartney, Wm. H. McClung, Nettie and Sallie E. Miller, Harriet Nickell, Geo. A. Pogue and James and Mary C. Waugh.

In the spring of 1873, the Bethel Presbyterian Church was built and the Aubery congregation began holding services there, so doing till in June, 1890, when the Hopewell Church was completed and ready for use. At that time the name was changed from Aubery Grove to Hopewell.

The roll of ministers is Wm. S. Houston, Wm. S. Davis, James M. Ragan, Wm. N. Nickell, J .H. Tharp,

L. F. Hayes, J. W. French, John R. Adkins, S. S. Hardin, L. F. Rodgers, M. R. Dougherty and N. M. Tatum. The elders were R. B. Foster, James Waugh, W. H. McClung, Wm. Robinson, Thomas K. Hays, Chas. S. Chamberlain, Geo. C. Goodbar, Dr. N. Hesler, Joseph R. Foster, Robert W. Hill, Homer Musselman and Samuel Gant.

Hopewell united with the Bethel Church (U. S. A.), August 26, 1906.

The above was furnished, in most excellent shape, by Elder Jos. R. Foster, the last Clerk of Session of the Hopewell Church. Since the union the consolidated church has prospered greatly.

The Mound City Church was organized May 5, 1872, by Rev. E. B. Sherwood, with the following five members: Andrew Frazer, Mrs. Mary Ann Frazer, W. W. Frazer, Mrs. Jane Glenn and Mrs. Catherine Strickler. W. W. Frazer was elected ruling elder.

The elders who have served the church are W. W. Frazer, S. P. Jewell, Geo. C. Brown, M. M. Smith, W. H. Wett, G. H. Carpenter, W. M. Hamsher, H. K. S. Robinson, C. S. Armstrong, Wm. Hoblitzell and Dr. C. N. Smith; the ministers, M. L. Anderson, W. G. Thomas, J. O. Pierce, Duncan Brown, Willis Weaver, A. W. Benson, A. M. Irvine, S. G. Fisher, A. B. Byram, Jos. M. Wright, Geo. Miller, A. D. Wolfe, H. N. Bullard and E. W. Waits.

The church, costing about $2,000, was erected in 1872, and enlarged in 1881; outlay, $500.

For the above we are indebted to Elder Wm. M. Hamsher, Clerk of Session and main pillar of the church for many years.

This is a real missionary church having two outstations, Blair and Shiloh.

New Point Church, known as "Hope" for some

years, was organized September 2, 1872, by Revs. N. H. Smith and R. Cruikshank and Elder P. G. Tyner, in the Cowan school house, one mile northwest of New Point. The first members were Jeremiah Botkins, Wm. and Sarah Coburn, Misses Emma and Nellie Coburn, John G. and Mary E. Cowan, B. O. Cowan, Mrs. Eliz. Graham, V. L. and Hannah Graham, John and Mary Meyer, Miss Anna M. Meyer and Samuel G. Park. The first elders were J. G. Cowan and John Meyer, and they have been followed by Samuel Praisewater, B. O. Cowan, B. F. Praisewater, J. A. Price, E. K. Christensen, Wm. F. Bragg and O. P. Botkin.

The church has been supplied by N. H. Smith, Geo. Miller, W. E. Williamson, T. D. Roberts, S. G. Fisher, Willis Weaver, A. B. Byram, C. P. Blayney, W. E. Caldwell, H. P. Alexander and T. D. Roberts (at present).

The frame church, costing about $2,000, all of which was raised at home, was completed in October, 1877. This church has a manse. It has raised up one minister, William Meyer.

While this church, located in an intelligent and prosperous farming community, has never been large, it has always been strong in every sense.

Elder Wilson C. Baldwin, Clerk of Session of the Martinsville Church, writes:

A petition signed by I. N. Wren, James Scott and six others was presented to Presbytery at its session held in Oregon in September, 1872, that a church be organized, and Revs. E. B. Sherwood and D. McRuer, and Elder James Owen were appointed as a committee. The church was organized December 18, 1872, with Archibald Scott, James Scott, son and wife, James Scott, Jr., and wife, Miss Jane Scott, Thomas Scott and wife, Mrs. Mary Stoffle and son, and I. N. Wren and wife as members. A. Scott and

J. Scott, Jr., were elected elders. Both of these had served as ruling elders in Scotland, the latter in St. Luke's Church, Glasgow.

The church has been supplied by D. McRuer (for over thirteen years), James A. McKay, C. P. Blayney, James Reed and H. A. Brown.

The more recent elders are Walter Murray, W. C. Baldwin, Frank S. Hills, W. Riley Thompson and Thomas Scott.

Services were held in a building owned jointly with the Methodists till 1898, when a neat frame church costing $1,500 was erected.

Education is greatly appreciated in this church which has raised up two ministers, Robert C. and James B. Stone, and several high grade teachers.

The First Presbyterian Church of Trenton was organized May 1, 1873, by Rev. Joel Kennedy, at the residence of Mr. Wm. Donaldson, with five members, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Donaldson, Mrs. Randolph, John A. Reid and Mrs. C. Smith. It soon grew to forty members, when it rented the old Methodist church. Rev. Hiram Chadeayne was the first pastor, and he was followed by Rev. J. M. Crawford who continued in charge till January 1, 1879. In the meantime a commodious church building was erected, and on the morning it was to be dedicated it burned to the ground, involving a loss of $6,800, with an insurance of only $3,000. The church was young and vigorous, and at once built a very elegant structure which was dedicated June 18, 1876.

The organization became involved in a lawsuit at this time through the indebtedness occasioned by the loss of their first building. The case was decided in favor of the defendants, but Presbytery appointed a committee to compromise the case, and the result of the arbitration was that the church was turned over to the mortgagees in the fall of 1879.

The "First Church" was disbanded, and May 19, 1880, the "Hodge Presbyterian Church" was organized with the following members: Miss Helen Babcock, Mrs. Ed. Benson, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Dobson, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Donaldson, Mr. and Mrs. John Flanigan, Miss Jennie Lafferty, Miss Tillie McGuire, Mrs. Randolph, Mrs. C. Smith, Miss Flora Tinsman, Mrs. Geo. F. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. White and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Zinsien. They purchased the old South Methodist church, and had it refitted throughout at an expense of $2,300 for the whole.

Rev. Francis E. Thompson was called in 1879; Rev. Geo. Miller, in 1881, and he was followed by Rev. Alvin B. Goodale, who had been a missionary in Turkey, and whose daughter, Emma, went to Chili as Mrs. James F. Garvin, during his pastorate here.

On the afternoon of July 13, 1883, Trenton was visited by a destructive windstorm which completely destroyed several buildings, among them the church built in 1876, which "was blown into the street and the whole building reduced to kindling wood." The Hodge church was moved about six inches by the wind and damaged to the extent of $500.

Rev. G. H. Putnam supplied the church a year in 1886-7, and was succeeded by Rev. John Knox. During his pastorate a manse was built. Rev. Wm. Y. Jones, now a missionary in Japan, supplied the church a part of the year 1893, and followed by Rev. John W. Crawford. Rev. John Creighton served the church from 1897 till 1901, and Rev. Alfred Fowler, the following year. In October, 1902, Rev. Geo. H. Williamson was called, and remained as pastor-elect till March, 1905, during which time the present attractive and convenient edifice valued at $8,000, was built, and dedicated, free of debt, August 7, 1904. In December of the same year a series of evangelistic meetings was held, and a large number of young people, mostly from the Sabbath school, united with the church. Rev. Wiley K. Wright was installed in 1905, but after a

short and happy pastorate was obliged to resign on account of ill health. While he was pastor the present commodious manse was purchased for $2,200. In the fall of 1906, the church gave a call to Rev. Edmund S. Brownlee, who entered upon his work with this church, December 1, 1906.

The above was condensed from a very full history, furnished by Mr. Brownlee, the present efficient and acceptable pastor.

The list of elders, probably incomplete, is Wm. Donaldson, John Flanigan, J. M. White, T. B. Cook, E. K. Hunter, Geo. DeLano, R. P. Johnston, E. C. Lightner, Henry Baker, J. L. Lafferty, C. F. Palmer, R. F. Keith and R. W. Allerdice.

A number of families in Hopkins, desiring a church of their own order, corresponded with Rev. E. B. Sherwood. He came, and after thoroughly canvassing the town and holding some services, appointed Saturday, May 31, for a meeting to organize. Elders John M. Bell and Geo. H. Hotaling assisted in the organization. Letters were presented by Wm. K. and Mary Adams, Mrs. Sarah Bender, Mrs. Clarissa Bradley, Henry P. and Sarah L. Dryden, Mrs. Mary Green, Mrs. Jennie Heald, Geo. H. and Mildred Hotaling, David L. Latschar, Mrs. Mary E. Martin and Mrs. Martha A. and John W. Walker; and Mark B. Bradley was received on profession of faith. On Sunday, June 1, 1873, the organization of the First Presbyterian Church of Hopkins was consummated, W. K. Adams and G. H. Hotaling being elected elders, and H. P. Dryden and D. L. Latschar, deacons.

Bi-monthly services were held in the M. E. Church till January, 1874, and then in Union Hall till the Presbyterian church, costing about $2,400 was completed and occupied in January, 1876. This building, which was enlarged, remodeled and fitted out with all conveniences in 1901, at a cost of $2,200, burned down

in 1904. A new brick-veneered edifice, valued at $7,500, was completed in 1906.

The church has been served by Revs. E. B. Sherwood, A. D. Workman, W. H. Ilsley, Wm. C. Smith, A. B. DeLong, F. Lonsdale, Wm. McPheeters, H. B. Mays, A. D. Seelig, E. Aston and K. J. Cardy; and Elders G. H. Hotaling, W. K. Adams, John Crepps, Josiah Strain, R. P. Johnson, A. C. Kennedy, John C. Stewart, Warren L. Robb, John H. Aiken, Wm. Hepburn, C. L. Adams and Chas. S. Evans.

Four young men who joined this church on profession of faith, afterwards dedicated their lives to the ministry, viz.: T. Morris Hillman, Albert W. McGlothlan, Ernest W. Symonds and T. Henry Hepburn; and two ladies, Miss Helen Goodsil, now Mrs. L. J. Davies, and Miss Mary Richardson, now Mrs. J. Ashley Fitch, went as missionaries to China.

Most of the above is taken from a more detailed account given by Miss Pearl Kennedy, a deeply afflicted but devoted and tireless worker; and the rest was furnished by A. C. Kennedy, who has served as elder for twenty-five years, and as Clerk of Session for about twenty.

In the address of the Pastor of the Westminster Church on his Twenty-fifth Anniversary in 1893, it was said: "In looking over the city for a needy field, it was found there was no place of worship north of Robidoux, except the African Methodist Church on Third street, while there were several thousand people living along the valley. A lot was bought on Third and Isabelle for $600, and a small chapel built at a cost of $960. The house was dedicated and a Sunday school opened in it in September, 1869.

This building was known as Westminster chapel, and in it the North Presbyterian Church was organized October 7, 1873, by Revs. H. Bullard and E. B. Sherwood, and Elder John DeClue, with the following

members: Edward and Sarah Biddle, B. D. and Julia Elliott, Miss Maggie Frank, Miss Sallie Leininger, Miss Alice Moore, J. F. and Mary A. Riggs, Mrs. Mary Vance and Miss M. Vance. B. D. Elliott and J. F. Riggs were elected elders then, and since then, J. D. McClain, Eugene Ayres, J. D. Walker, H. A. Matthews, E. P. Adams, J. A. Montgomery, W. H. Gaugh, C. W. Parcells, A. C. Hayes, Chas. Aldrich, C. M. Miller, A. A. Elliott, J. C. Dauerlein, K. White, G. E. McDaniel and J. C. Lynch. The following pastors have served the church: W. H. Ilsley, T. D. Roberts (twice), Duncan Brown, J. E. Brown, E. G. Moore, Frank Lonsdale, Geo. H. Williamson, U. G. Schell, A. M. Reynolds and A. L. Hall-Quest.

This church has never been large, but has done a great work among the young, the Sabbath school numbering as high as 300. In the fall of 1889, a brick church, fifty-four by sixty feet, was erected at a cost of $7,000, which was raised entirely at home. The name of the church was changed to Third Street, October 19, 1891. "The church is now in a flourishing condition, being self-supporting and owning property worth $8,000, free of debt."

For the above we are indebted to the venerable first elder, who is still in the harness, and his son, Elder A. A. Elliott.

The Akron Church was organized in December, 1873, by Revs. D. McRuer and Wm. Reed, with the following members: David and Mary Frazier, Mrs. Eliz. Frazier, Mrs. Emily (Andrew) Frazier, Mrs. Emily (Robert) Frazier, Joseph Heasley and wife, Mrs. Rosanna McDonald, A. M. and Mary E. Morgan, Geo. and Frances E. Morgan, Mrs. Nancy Morgan, and Henry and Louisa Taff. D. Frazier and A. M. Morgan were elected elders, and they have been followed by Wm. Frazier, A. L. Ammons, E .G. Poland, J. A. Frazier, Geo. Morgan, Walter Bishop and A. C. Sallee.

The church has been supplied by Wm. Reed, D. McRuer, C. C. Hembree, James A. McKay and James Reed.

A frame church, thirty by forty feet, ample for this small country neighborhood, was built in 1876. Though never large and constantly depleted by removals, this church has furnished valuable workers for the church at large and has been a feeder for other churches.

Elder George Morgan, Clerk of Session, furnished the above data.

In the early seventies, Rev. Luther Dodd did good service for the Master in preaching at every point in Atchison County where there was any opening. Among these was the Willsie or London school house where, on June 19, 1874, he and Rev. E. B. Sherwood organized the Tarkio Church with the following members: Miss Blessing, Mrs. Rebecca Booth, David Flack and wife, G. W. Marquis and wife, Mrs. B. Schaum and "Grandma" Schaum. Of these G. W. Marquis was elected elder. Two years later Adam Faris and family and others from Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, were received, and Mr. Faris and H. C. Wilson were ordained elders. The place of meeting for the first four years was the London school house. Then Homer Hall was used, and Barger Hall afterwards till the church was built. The first Sunday school in town was organized at a meeting held in the depot. The town of Tarkio was not even located till six years after the organization of the church. A frame church, thirty by fifty feet, and costing $2,500, the first one erected in the town, was dedicated April 9, 1882.

For the preceding early history we are indebted to Elder Robert Lynn.

This church has been supplied by L. Dodd, S. M. Kier, J. F. Clarkson, F. J. Reichert, James Kirkwood, A. W. Benson, George Miller, Duncan Brown, John H. Hatfield and Samuel B. Alderson. The complete

roll of elders is Geo. W. Marquis, A. Faris, Harry C. Wilson, Peter McKenzie, Wm. B. Travis, John C. Lynn, John Currie, And. B. Craig, Robert Lynn, H. K. Noel, J. W. Botkin and James H. Filson. It has been self-supporting since 1888.

This large, able and very liberal church has also contributed to the work of the Master, one minister, John A. Currie, son of Elder Currie, and one devoted missionary to our American Highlanders, Miss Sarah E. McMullen.

The sketch we give is condensed from one written by Mrs. J. A. Postlewaite and furnished by Mrs. Geo. S. Luckhardt.

Miss Sarah E. McMullen was born and educated in Pennsylvania, and came in 1890, from Stella, Neb., to Tarkio, as a public school teacher. As elder daughter she was a dependence, counsellor and sympathizer in the home circle, as among friends, and no less an ever ready helper in every department of Christian work. She spent nearly two years in Bible study in the Moody Institute and in city mission work in Chicago. Dedicating her life to the work among the mountaineers, she went to Jarrold's Valley, W. Va., in October, 1896.

The record of her work is from her letters to personal friends. In the first three months she attended seventy-five meetings, which she usually conducted, and made 217 visits. All the traveling had to be done on horseback or on foot, over the worst of roads, crossing and re-crossing bridgeless streams. And for wearied body and intensely active and overtasked mind, there was no home for relaxation and recuperation except such as was offered by the crude civilization of this primitive people. We cannot wonder that failing health compelled her to lay down her work in June, 1897, when she went to Pennsylvania, hoping to regain her health.

But God had otherwise ordained, and on the 5th of August, He took to Himself the brave spirit which

had so honored Him in life. Dr. Humble says: "Hers was a heroic, self-sacrificing life, and though dead she yet speaketh through her mountain people."

The Fairview congregation was organized by Rev. J. M. Ragan, August 9, 1874, and was known as High Prairie congregation till about 1884. It was received under the care of Chillicothe Presbytery, October 4, 1874. The names of the constitutional members: Lethe J. Allen, John, Martha, Mary and Polley Palmer, Mary J., Phebe and Wm. Patton, Magdalena Ruby, Clark, Hattie and Mahala A. Smith, and George, Nancy and Susie Tipton.

The above information was kindly furnished in December, 1906, by Wm. J. Smith, Clerk of Session. We gather the following additional items from printed Minutes.

The recent pastors are E. L. Uptegrove, J. R. Adkins and Amos Coen. The present elders are F. Millsted, F. Brownhill, J. Minor and J. W. Snider. The church, valued at $700, is situated four miles west of Chula and four miles south of Winston.

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The Walkup's Grove congregation was organized December 3, 1876, at the Walkup's Grove school house, with six members: Silas C. Combs, Maggie Turnbull, Henry R. Walkup, Mary F. Walkup, Marguerite Walkup and Wm. R. Walkup. H. R. Walkup was chosen elder.

Leander F. Hayes was the pastor most of the time from 1876 till 1898, alternating after 1890 with O. D. Allen, the present pastor. For some years about 1900 and after, the church was much reduced and discouraged, but in 1906, it was greatly revived. The house of worship, on a two acre lot about nine miles east by south of Fairfax, which cost about $2,000 originally, has been modernized recently at an expenditure of over $500. The complete list of elders is—H. R. Walkup, J. M. West, John Hogland, Timothy H. Proud, Silas C. Combs, Philip Drayer, Wm. M. Goldsberry, T. F. Rolofson, J. B. Smith, G. W. C. Littell, S. E. Proud, Walter B. Littell and James Thompson.

For the above we are indebted to Elder W. B. Littell.

The Round Grove Cumberland Presbyterian congregation was organized September 15, 1877, by Rev. F. Mitchell Miller, with the following members: Anna and S. C. Broderick, Eliz. D., Harrison V., James E., James M., Jos. S., Martha J., M. E., M. J., R. F. M., S. Nancy and S. Thomas Clark, David F., Mary F. and Mary J. Fitzgerald, And. C., B. Caroline, Cassandra F., Clementina B., John R., Nathaniel, Newton K. and R. May Gartin and David F. Jameson. The list of elders is: D. F. Fitzgerald, A. C. Gartin, D. F. Jameson, C. L. Owen and Daniel Fore.

The church has been served by Revs. C. C. Luce, C. B. Powers, J. H. Tharp, J. H. Norman, W. O. H. Perry, C. E. Hayes, S. T. Divinia, H. R. Norris, A. S. McDaniel,

M. Lowe, R. J. Beard, L. F. Hayes, O. D. Allen, J. Froman, E. L. Uptegrove and J. M. Glick.

The above was furnished by Elder D. F. Jameson, Clerk of the congregation. The house of worship, valued at $700, is situated near Darlington.

The Craig church was organized in the school house September 16, 1877, by Revs. J. W. Allen and Duncan Brown and Elder W. W. Frazer with six members: Dr. S. S. Bacon, A. M. Hunter, S. P. Jewell, Mrs. E. F. Welch, Mrs. Harriet M. Wilson, and W. B. Wilson. S. P. Jewell was chosen elder. Mr. Brown, then supplying the Mound City Church, had been preaching in the school house for about three months, and on September 2nd, S. S. Bacon, A. M. Hunter and W. B. Wilson had been elected trustees.

The elders who have served the church are S. P. Jewell, S. S. Bacon, G. W. Gaskill, A. M. Hunter, J. W. Nauman, W. L. Riffe, S. K. Allen, T. D. Frazer, L. A. Shipley and S. E. Judy; the ministers: Duncan Brown, B. D. Luther, D. C. Smith, James Reed, A. P. Haydon, M. E. Krotzer, John A. Currie and R. Bruce West; the deacons: W. B. Wilson, Robert Lyons, Wm. Thayer, H. S. Hogue, F. S. Brownfield, G. W. Ballinger, J. H. Riffe, W. T. Crews and Chas. McClandish.

In 1879, this solid church built a solid brick church, thirty by fifty feet, at a cost of $3,000. The manse is on a lot 100 by 110 feet.

The above is from a very complete and concise sketch by Elder A. M. Hunter, long the clerk of Session, who has served the church over twenty-nine years.

The records of the Stanberry Church having been burned and no information furnished by the church itself, what is here given has been gathered at a great expenditure of time, from various sources.

The church was organized by Revs. J. W. Allen, F. G. Strange and B. D. Luther. 1883 has been given as the date of organization, but 1880 is undoubtedly the true date, as Dr. Allen was not Synodical Missionary after that year, and Dr. Strange, who was then at Empire Prairie, went to Hiawatha, Kans., before May, 1881. Dr. Strange writes: "If my memory is correct, the Stanberry Church was organized in October, 1880. The town was started in a corn field. The services at which the organization was effected were held in the upstairs of a new, unfinished building. The railroad was not yet completed."

Miss Ida Birge and Dr. R. R. Dunshee were among the charter members. The church has been served by Revs. Duncan Brown, Carson Reed, T. M. Hillman, A. W. McGlothlan, D. C. Smith and C. C. Armstrong, and Elders L. A. Kimball, Wm. Miller, C. F. Gardner, J. W. Huggins, John Davis, Edgar M. Hurlburt, J. C. Dhume, Dr. J. A. Hawthorne, C. C. Ward, D. G. Boleyn, John Kuyler, W. H. Fawcett, W. C. Porter, L. A. Cook, W. C. Smothers, T. J. Smith, J. H. McGinnis, Owen L. Smith, Dr. E. P. Campbell, N. E. Reynold, and Wm. Sterritt. Elder O. L. Smith has been the Clerk of Session for several years. The church has a frame house of worship, is grouped with Knox, and has preaching half of the time, with a flourishing Sabbath school.

The following is taken from "Twenty-Five Years of Tarkio Congregation," by Prof. J. Vallance Brown, published in The United Presbyterian, of June 14, 1906.

"In August of 1880 the surveyor put Tarkio on the map. Some three or four months later, Rev. R. M. Sherrard conducted the initial religious meeting in the only available building, the primitive temple of the prairie lands, the railroad station. On the ninth of June, 1881, the maiden service of the first public hall was the formal organization of the Tarkio congrega-

tion by the pioneer missionary, preacher and supply. The first elder was Mr. J. F. Hanna, one of the most influential in the history of the congregation. The winter following Tarkio united with York in calling Rev. R. H. Barnes. March 14, 1882, dates his acceptance. On May 5, 1883, Mr. W. O. Miller became second ruling elder. Summer of the same year saw a $5,000 building erected without help from the Board of Church Extension. With June of 1885, Rev. Barnes gave York his entire time.

"The memories of the 'western Sunday,' on which the first pastor preached his initial sermon. It was afternoon of the last Sabbath of November, 1881. The half-story upper room over the grocery story held six early listeners. Stragglers numbered two or three. Outside were crowds and open booths. Pounding hammers well nigh drowned the preacher's appeals.

"The longest (the second) pastorate was that of Rev. W. P. McNary, D. D. May 3, 1886 dates his call; July 1, his entrance on the work. Not until September 1, 1899, was the relation dissolved. Three statements are suggestive. Membership attained to 390. On March 15, 1896, the present $18,000 edifice was dedicated. In 1899, the Committee of Missions met in Tarkio. Dr. McNary was also active in college interests. For practically his entire pastorate he was president of the Board of Directors, and was later an efficient financial agent.

"On February 28, 1900, Rev. R. B. A. McBride was called. On the first of April he entered the work. His first year was 'the year of the great revival' in Tarkio and community under Williams and Alexander. A notable sequel was the communion occasion of December 16, 1900. Seventy-six accessions were reported. Sixty-four of these were by profession and baptism. An event of wider historic interest was the meeting of the memorable 'Missionary' Assembly of 1903, in Tarkio. On October 8, 1905, the pulpit was again vacated.

"Musical history: At first an elder 'took the pitch' and led the congregation. A favorite opening refrain was from the long meter of the twenty-second Psalm:

To Thee in praise, I'll lift my song,
Amid the great assembled throng;

"In the application 'the great assembled throng' numbered ordinarily—seven! Later, the session 'selected twelve members to constitute a choir.' March 26, 1899, Session was petitioned to grant the congregation an opportunity to express itself on the use of an instrument in worship. September 9, 1899, Session's committee on choir was authorized to rent a piano. The pipe-organ was installed in 1903. The present choir consists of forty-two."

Prof. Brown, who is also Clerk of Session, wrote December 16, 1907: "To the article enclosed must be added our present pastor, Rev. E. C. Little, who settled with us a year ago. Below you will also find a list of the charter sixteen: Mrs. James Anderson, Mrs. Sarah Black, Wm. A. Carothers, Mrs. Ollie Foster, S. S. Foster, J. F. Hanna, Mrs. Nettie V. Hanna, Miss Sarah Ingstrum, T. S. McCullough, Mrs. Lon Miller, Robert F. Miller, W. O. Miller, Mrs. Esther Phillips, Isaac Phillips, Mrs. Nina Stevenson, and R. M. Stevenson."

Something will be said later, in the sketch of Tarkio College, of the ministers and missionaries, many of whom were doubtless temporary members of this church, and some of them probably raised up in it.

In August, 1908, Elder T. D. Frazer, Clerk of Session of the Second Presbyterian Church of St. Joseph, sent a very full and exact memorandum of its history, from which the following is taken, verbally or in substance:

The records of the Session state: "July 11, 1881, the Lafayette Presbytery appointed Revs. R. S. Campbell and H. S. P. Willis and Elder W. P. Sanders a

committee to arrange for the organization of a church. The committee met and enrolled the following persons: Mrs. Agnes Abercrombie, Thomas Crawford and wife, Mrs. Mary Gibson and Miss Lauretta Richards, all from the First Church, and Mrs. R. G. Brown from Hiawatha, Kans, and on profession of faith, Miss Clara Richards, Elizabeth Richards, Katie Sever and Magdaline Walker.

"This action was reported to Presbytery and the committee was instructed to complete the work of organization. Oct. 7, 1881, the committee met and added the following names to the list of members: B. B. Frazer, Sr., and wife, B. B. Frazer, Jr., T. D. Frazer, J. E. Hewlett and wife, Samuel M. Beattie, Miss Luemma Dimmitt, Miss Bettie Glaskin and Dr. J. M. Richmond and wife, all from the First Church; also Chester L. Evans, of Oregon, Mo., B. B. Frazer, Sr., and J. E. Hewlett, who had been elders in the First Church were chosen and installed elders in this church. Rev. George Miller, of Oregon, Mo., accepted a call as stated supply, and entered on his duties October 1, 1881."

"The following ministers have acceptably served the church: Geo. Miller, B. H. Dupuy, W. S. Trimble, W. S. Foreman, and L. E. McNair. Rev. McNair resigned Nov. 3, 1907. The pulpit has been supplied since by Rev. Duncan Brown, till the middle of May, and by Rev. W. W. Harrison since. The following persons have served the church as elders: B. B. Frazer, Sr., J. E. Hewlett, John Williams, John L. Leonard, T. D. Frazer, M. C. Powell, C. R. McCoy and R. W. McDonald. The following persons have served the church as deacons: James W. Patrick, T. D. Frazer, M. C. Powell, James Ferguson, M. L. Seip, John L. Leonard, Wm. Ewing, John Massey, Floyd C. Stannard, David Aitchison, Chas. A. Hensley, A. W. Coats, W. R. Machett, Daniel L. Sims, J. W. Koch and F. H. Bierman.

"The Church and Sabbath school have always been active workers. The Sabbath school has been superintended continuously the last twenty-five years by M.

C. Powell. Mr. Powell has several times desired to retire, but at the urgent request of the school has remained."

This organization is the outgrowth of a Sunday school started about 1870, on Penn street, nearly opposite where the church now stands. It was superintended from the first up to 1881 by Col. John F. Tyler, who paid the rent of the room in which it was held. Miss Lauretta Richards was very active in the Sabbath school both before and after the organization of the church. Many times when the attendance was very small, she acted as superintendent and all the other officers. No doubt her fidelity was the means of keeping up the school.

The Grant City Church was organized October 8, 1881, by Rev. E. B. Sherwood and Elders Walter Gladstone and Wm. A. Patton, with the following members: Wm. C. and Helen Gladstone, Mrs. Caroline Harrison, Mrs. Martha Hicks, Mrs. Araminta (James) Kerr, Henry E. and Mary J. Martin, Mrs. L. A. Raplee, Wm. N. and Mary E. Woods and Thomas J. and Sarah B. Worster. W. C. Gladstone and H. E. Martin were elected elders. The elders elected since are Stokely C. Davidson, Chas. L. Wheeler, B. F. Lucas, Geo. H. Hotaling, John Stalder, A. W. Kelso, Erdley O. Sayle and John F. Robertson. The church has been supplied by Wm. Meyer, Carson Reed, James Kirkwood, Duncan McRuer, Jr., Edward H. Bull and Allen D. Seelig.

A Sabbath school was begun three months after the church was organized and has been very prosperous. A frame church costing $3,000 and replacing the old one was dedicated April 26, 1891, free of debt.

For the above we are indebted to Dr. S. C. Davidson, elder for over twenty years, Clerk of Session for sixteen, and Sabbath school superintendent for probably a longer period.

Elder E. H. White, Clerk of Session, the sustaining and inspiring power of the whole community as well as the church which he has served for twenty-two years, though a very busy man, has kindly furnished the following:

The First Presbyterian Church of Fairfax was organized March 18, 1882, by Rev. E. B. Sherwood and Elders Robert Montgomery and Geo. W. Gaskill, with eight members: Henry L. and Abbie E. Allen, Thomas Bright, Wm. Newton and Julia Curry, S. P. and Ida S. Jewell and Mrs. Anna Lininger, W. N. Curry and S. P. Jewell were elected elders. To these have been added H. L. Allen, E. H. White, J. Harvey Laird, A. C. Hayes, James Thompson and Ruffner Dunlap.

Its ministers are Wilson Asdale, Chas. W. Price, James Kirkwood, D. C. Smith, James Reed, James E. Leyda, J. C. Gilkerson, Wisel Beale, Robert S. Watson, Donald S. West, John Duncan and J. M. Bell.

The church was built in 1882, costing about $2,200. The manse cost $750. This is a missionary church, having an outstation at Nishnabotna.

For several years Union Star had been considered an outpost of Empire Prairie whose ministers held services there as they had opportunity. In 1882, a Union church, in which the Presbyterians of Union Star had a one-fourth interest, having been built, a petition was presented Platte Presbytery asking for an organization. Presbytery appointed Revs. E. B. Sherwood and Wm. Meyer and Elder James W. Porterfield to visit the field. They met at Union Star, September 29, 1882, and on October first, completed the organization of the church with the following members: A. A. Daugherty and wife, Mrs. Maggie Hudson, Mrs. Rebecca Lowe, Miss Annie Miller, Geo. Moyes and wife, Miss Jennie Moyes, J. C. Ogden and wife, Misses Julia and Kate Ogden, John Patterson and wife, Mrs. Mary Teanor and Miss Harriet N. White. Judge A. A. Daugherty

was elected elder. Miss Ansie Herron was received on profession the next day.

The elders elected since then are W. S. Earls, Geo. Moyes, Walter L. Reynolds, James L. Landers, Geo. D. Burton, Samuel Stewart and Geo. A. Moyes. James Moyes is deacon.

Rev. F. E. Thompson was the first pastor, and he has been followed by J. F. Clarkson, W. Weaver, J. B. Rice, S. W. Richards, James Reed, F. W. Grossman, C. C. Armstrong, U. G. Schell and D. M. Boyer.

November 30, 1895, the Ladies Aid Society purchased a half acre lot on which a neat church was erected; all now valued at about $2,400.

The above was furnished by Rev. James Reed, who knows more about the churches of Platte Presbytery than any other man living.

The Kingston Church was organized May 18, 1884, by Revs. John C. Young, Thomas Marshall and C. W. Higgins, with the following members: Abijah W. and Julia A. Bishop, Mrs. Belle Buxton, Mrs. Laura Dodge, Mrs. Mary Higgins, Edward D. and Emily Johnson, Jacob and Mary A. Krautz, Mrs. Hannah L. Lambert, Dr. Daniel Neff, James A. Rathbun and Mrs. Mary C. Spivey. D. Neff and J. A. Rathburn were elected elders, and E. D. Johnson, A. W. Bishop and R. D. Sackman, trustees; C. S. McGlothlan became trustee later.

The church, thirty by forty feet, was built in 1868 by the Congregationalists, and purchased from them in 1884, for $750, (according to a history in the Kansas City Library). The manse lot contains an acre.

The church has been ministered to by C. W. Higgins, A. B. Goodale, G. E. Northrup, La Theo. Iobe, John Weston, E. S. Farrand, A. B. Byram, C. P. Blayney and W. E. Barksdale.

The roll of elders is D. Neff, J .A. Rathbun, John McNaughton, L. M. Spivey, Wm. Spivey, John W. Snider, Geo. K. Dodge, Lee Bridgewater, C. S. McLaughlin and Q. T. Jones.

The church was in a discouraging condition, being much depleted by removals, but has lately been greatly revived and has taken on new life.

For the above we are indebted to Elders L. M. and Wm. Spivey.

On February 28, 1885, Rev. Duncan McRuer and Elder James Scott, a committee appointed by Platte Presbytery, proceeded, after due consideration, to organize a church in New Hampton, there being no other church in the place. The charter members were: Michal and Elizabeth Scott Cochrane, Josiah W. and Mary S. Corell, Mrs. Margaret Tennant, Geo. Tennant, and John W. and Caroline D. Virden. Of these Messrs. Virden, Cochrane and Corell were elected elders. M. Cochrane was chosen Clerk of Session, and served the church faithfully in that capacity until September 19, 1897, when he resigned because of infirmity and age. "Those who have been possibly the most faithful and instrumental in the continued existence of the church and Sabbath school are Mr. and Mrs. Cochrane, Mrs. Wm. Virden, Miss Naomi Virden, Mr. Albert McMillen, Miss Sarah Williams, and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tennant."

The church, twenty-eight by forty feet, was erected in 1885, at a cost of $1200. The very comfortable manse built in 1902 at a cost of $1,000, owes its existence largely to the Virden family, who contributed half of the amount.

The church has been served by Revs. D. McRuer, James A. McKay, Chas. P. Blayney, James Reed and Henry A. Brown; and Elders Cochrane, Corell, Virden, A. L. Funk and John Tennant.

The church has always been especially strong in its Sabbath school.

The above was furnished by Elder A. L. Funk, Clerk of Session, for nearly twelve years and the efficient and enthusiastic superintendent of the Sabbath school for ten years.

Elder Charles Baker, Clerk of Session, wrote in June, 1907: "The Cumberland Presbyterian congregation was organized in the Congregational church building at Mabel P. O. on May 17, 1885, by Rev. Elbert S. Ragan. Sallie Bendure, John Blackburn, Retta Blackburn, Ella F. Crum, L. W. Crum, Kate Davis, Mary E. Hainline, J. E. Medlar, Annabell Webb and John Webb were the charter members. Ministers: E. S. Ragan, S. A. McPherson, M. T. Bell. Ruling elders: John Webb, L. W. Crum, Frank Blackburn, Adam Reiminschneider, John Blackburn, Chas. Baker, E. M. Smith, Wm. McHenry and Guy Hunter.

Nothing additional or later has come to hand.

The Linkville congregation was organized Nov. 23, 1885, at Mt. Pleasant (Second Creek) by Rev. C. B. Hodges. The charter members were Pete Baron and wife, F. W. Hilbus and wife, Anna Hodges, C. B. Hodges and wife, J. J. Hodges and wife, Jesse Hodges, R. T. Hodges and wife, Wm. McMonigle and wife, Mrs. Nancy Slaughter, Mrs. Amanda Taylor and Mrs. Lee Vance.

The church has been served by Revs. James Froman, L. Munkirs, S. T. Divinia, W. O. H. Perry, Arthur Perry, S. H. Murray, J. H. Norman, J. C. Moore and D. M. Boyer; and by elders J. J. Hodges, R. T. Hodges, F. W. Hilbus, W. W. Morrow and Scott Jones. Rev. James Froman is the present pastor.

Elder F. W. Hilbus, Clerk of Session, kindly furnished the above.

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Gower Presbyterian Church was organized May 20, 1886, by a Commission of Upper Missouri Presbytery, consisting of Rev. J. A. D. Hughes, Chairman, Rev. H. B. Boude, D. D., Elder W. P. Hooper, of Plattsburg Church and Elder John L. Wylie of Stewartsville Church. Thomas Hall and F. R. Allen were elected and ordained Ruling Elders; John C. Atchison and D. S. Hall, Deacons; and William Hammett, Trustee. Soon after, date not given, N. G. Cummings and Calvin M. Graves, having been elders in other churches, were elected Elders; and William Hammett, elected and ordained Deacon. Beside the above the following became charter members: Mrs. Mattie Allen, Mrs. Mary F. Gartin, Mrs. M. J. Graves, Miss Annie Hall, Mrs. Edna F. Hall, Mrs. Emma Hall, Mrs. Inez C. Hall, Mrs. Virginia Hammett, Miss Minnie Pryor, Mrs. Celia Smith, Samuel Starrett and Mrs. J. E. White. Rev. J. A. D. Hughes became the first regular monthly supply, and the following succeeded him, in the order named: L. E. McNair, O. W. Ganss (installed as pastor), Chas. P. Foreman, J. M. Campbell, Xenophon Ryland, and James B. Carpenter, our present worthy supply. The present officers are Elders F. R. Allen, A. C. Cummings and William Hammett; Deacons J. C. Atchison and Robert C. Cummings.

Our church was built in 1896. With lots and all we estimate the cost $2,500; all paid for. The Ladies Aid Society furnished some things. The organ and Bible stand were presents.

Elder William Hammett, Clerk of Session, most courteously and promptly furnished the above in July, 1907.

The Tina Church was organized December 19, 1886, by Rev. Thos Marshall and Elders Thos. H. Trussell and Dr. W. H. Dice, with the following members: Mary Allen, R. D. Allen, Mrs. J. Austin, Mariah Beans, Mrs.

Mary Campbell, Alice Crose, Mrs. M. Crose, Stephen Crose, Mrs. Crose, Emma Dice, W. H. Dice, Wm. Forsythe, Mrs. A. B. Ross, G. T. Ross, Jesse States, Thos. H. and Margaret Trussell, Alice Warnick and John Warnick. Dr. W. H. Dice and T. H. Trussell were elected elders. Dr. Dice, a veteran pioneer, did the preliminary work. He wrote in October, 1905, "The church was made up of members of the Coloma and Rockford churches, with Wm. Forsythe and wife of the Avalon Church."

This church because it was the first one organized in the town, received from the Burlington R. R. Co., the gift of a lot on which a frame building, costing $800, was erected in 1888. It has been supplied by Revs. George Case, W. C. McCune, A. J. Harmon, A. D. Wolfe, T. C. Armstrong, L. W. Cunningham and Ira W. Barnett; and served by Elders T. H. Trussell, W. H. Dice, J. R. West, James Edmonds, Robert R. Wilson, Isaac Edmonds, Leslie G. Venard, R. D. Allen, J. G. McGaughey, John L. Dickerson, E. M. Ross and B. A. Wilmot.

For most of the above we are indebted to Elder J. G. McGaughey, Clerk of Session, and his daughter, Miss Kate.

The Green Valley Congregation was organized February 21, 1889, by Rev. F. M. Miller, half a mile north of the city limits of St. Joseph. It was known as the Oak Grove Congregation till in 1900. It now has a good church, valued at $2500, two miles northwest of St. Joseph, and a glebe. The recent pastors are J. Turner Hood, J. H. Tharp and G. L. Engles. The present elders are W. D. Maxwell, J. W. Bond, J. C. Thomas, Henry Peter and E. B. Teagarden.

Elder W. D. Maxwell says, "We have services three Sabbaths in the month, a midweek prayer meeting, a Christian Endeavor, and an ever-green Sabbath School."

The Weatherby Congregation was organized April 11, 1889, by Rev. L. F. Hayes with the following mem-

bers: James N. Clark, Martin M. Crow, Sarah Crow, John Edie, Walter Edson, Edward Granam, Laura E. Graham, A. E. Harper, Henry R. Harper, Margaret A. Harper, Mary E. Harper, Sarah Howard, Wm. M. Howard, Laura Kariker, Chas. McClure, John McClure, Hattie B. Musser, Cora J. Rhoads, Eva E. Rhoads, Caroline Riggs, Lillie Riggs, Flora Roper, Addie Thompson, Georgie Ward and A. L. Zimmerman. H. R. Harper, J. McClure and J. N. Clark were elected elders.; A. E. Harper and A. L. Zimmerman, deacons. The congregation was received under the care of Platte Presbytery in September, 1889.

The church house, thirty by fifty feet, built in 1890-1, cost $1600. The adjoining lot, owned by the church, fifty by a hundred feet, is planted in maple trees.

The pastors have been L. F. Hayes, C. B. Powers, E. S. Ragan, M. R. Daugherty, W. O. H. Perry and S. T. Divinia; the elders, H. R. Harper, J. McClure, J. N. Clark, John Fisher, J. W. Baker. Chas. McClure, W. B. Taylor, Eugene E. DeHart, C. B. Johnson, Oliver Musser and S. A. Riggs; and the deacons, A. L. Zimmerman, A. E. Harper and Isom F. Riggs.

Elder H. R. Harper, Clerk of Session, furnished the above.

The Polo Church was organized January 24, 1893, in the M. E. South church, by Revs. W. A. Cravens and La Theo Iobe, and John Wilson, Pastor-at-large, with nine members: Thomas Bathgate, Miss Mary Bathgate, Mrs. Mattie Carter, Mrs. Toney Estes, Joseph Frazer, Mrs. Mecca Frazer, Mrs. Effie Madden, Mrs. Maggie Moss and James Tait. Messrs. Tait and Bathgate were chosen elders. The church was supplied by John Wilson, J. L. Boyer, A. M. Hendee, Joel W. Todd and James Reed. The reasonable prospects of growth which existed at its organization having faded away, it was disbanded by Presbytery September 10, 1908. It owed its existence to the now venerable Elder Tait,

long an active business man, who was never contented to live in a place without a Presbyterian church.

The Hope Church of St. Joseph was organized November 5, 1892, by Revs. H. Bullard, E. B. Sherwood, C. B. McAfee, F. Lonsdale and H. W. Cowan with the following members: Wm. K. and Annie M. Adams, Harlan E. Adams, Mrs. Arabella Anderson, Mrs. Catherine Artlip, Mrs. Mary E. Blinn, Harvey S., Treneus P. and J. Edward Blinn, Miss Lucy E. Blinn, Mrs. Martha E. Baker, Mrs. C. E. Bethel, Misses Goldie and Nannie K. Bethel, Mrs. Bertha Brill, Misses Edna, Nellie and Pearl Brill, Miss Nellie E Carrier, Mrs. Martha Coe, Mrs. Annie L. Cowan, Misses Lavina K. and Mahala E. Davis, Wm. M. Groves, Mrs. Susan S. Groves, Mrs. Emma and Miss Olive L. Hardwick, Wm. S. Hepburn, Mrs. Maggie E. Hepburn, Miss Mary E. Hubbell, Miss Roxana Johns, Mrs. L. H. Jones, Misses Janet L. and Jessie R. Jones, Wm. D. Jones, Mrs. Eliz. Krinzel, Harvey J. Mann, Adam Miller, Mrs. Sarah Miller, Mrs. Susan R. Mohler, Miss Rosa Moser, Miss Mary T. Oppliger, Misses Emily P. and Laura P. Robinson, Mrs. Mary J. Rupert, O. Schoepfer, Miss Lizzie Shank, Mrs. Sarah Shaw, William H. Speaker, Mrs. Mary Speaker, Miss M. Christina Speaker, Miss Glennie M. Sells, Miss Laura Stone, Mrs. Katie B. Stumpfad, Mrs. Mary Swartz, Chas. E. Swartz, Misses Dinah and Emma Yost, Mrs. Sarah E. Ziebold, Daniel A. and Edward P. Ziebold. Messrs. W. K. Adams and I. P. Blinn were elected elders; and H. E. Adams and W. M. Groves, deacons.

In the sketch of Westminster Church some mention has already been made of the work in Hope Chapel. This was built at a cost of over $500, on a lot bought by Elder Herschel Bartlett for $900 and "placed at the disposal of the pastor." "The whole region was visited from house to house, and Sunday night services were arranged for. These, the Session placed in the hands of Elder Adams, who had so fully proved his efficiency in evangelistic work during eighteen months

while conducting Sabbath night meetings at Oak Grove church. He had just been released from that work by the organization in the neighborhood of a Cumberland Presbyterian church, made possible by a revival in which about forty of the young people who had been regular attendants on Mr. Adams' services, were converted. This duty was accepted, and for two and a half years was carried on with gratifying success. During the first summer Elder Butler assisted, till he left the city. The next two summers theological students were employed during their vacations, until in September, 1891, it became evident to Mr. Adams and the Session that the time had come when some minister should be regularly employed. Rev. Hector W. Cowan was invited to take charge," and remained until March 1, 1894. Rev. Ernest W. Symonds, a recent graduate of Omaha Theological Seminary, accepted a call and was installed May 3, 1894, as the first pastor, remaining till January 1, 1903. He was immediately followed by Rev. Henry A. Sawyers, the present pastor.

Very largely through Mr. Cowan's influence and efforts, a brick church costing $2,250 was erected in August, 1892. The first building now serves as a chapel for the brick structure.

The complete roll of elders is W. K. Adams, I. P. Blinn, Jesse O. McClain, Edward P. Adams, O. P. Torrance, E. Donovan Plummer and Christian F. Meyer.

The Barbee Memorial Church was organized May 6, 1894, in the Baptist church of Excelsior Springs, by Revs. Wm. Frost Bishop and E. McNair and Elder John M. Finley, a committee from Upper Missouri Presbytery. The charter members were Joshua F. Barbee, Mrs. M. M. Barbee, Miss Mary A. Barbee, Mrs Fratie Bates, Mrs. Mary Jane Crockett, Fred H. Dice, J. L. Dice, Mrs. M. L. Dice, E. L. Dimmitt, Mrs. Luella Eversole, Mrs. Cordie Ford, Mrs. Jennie Gordon, George McCaslin, Misses Agnes and Helen McGeorge, Mrs. Jane McGeorge, Mrs. Belle McMullen, Mrs. Clara Newlee,

Miss Louise Pitney, Mrs. Laura Shelton and Mrs. Emma Sparks.

The pastors have been Revs. Joshua Barbee, Ross M. Neel, Robert L. Kinnaird, Donald S. West and Frank A. Bradshaw; the elders, Edward L. Dimmitt, Anthony Haynes, John M. Finley, A. M. Griffith, Wm. T. Hufft, Jos. M. McKibben, James C. Shelton, Chas. C. Sherwood and S. B. Cole.

The church held its meetings in Prof. Haynes' Academy building until the church building was finished, April 1, 1902. It was dedicated April 18, 1902 by Dr. Dobyn.

For the above we are indebted to Prof. Anthony Haynes, Clerk of Session, who has been the main pillar of the church, financially and otherwise.

The Gaynor City Church was organized December 8, 1894, by Rev. John Wilson with the following members: Mrs. Clara Barks, George Barks, Mrs. Mary Barks, James and M. Burgher, Mrs. Jane P. Dinsmore, Mrs. E. Donaldson, Charlotte S.. David, Elizabeth J. and Esther C. Hepburn, Mrs. Isabell Hepburn, James L. and M. J. Hepburn, Jennette, John, John G., Margurite A., Richard and Thomas H. Hepburn, Mrs. Louise Hicks, Mrs. Eliza Higgins, Mrs. Hattie Lindsay, Mrs. E. Nigh, Mrs. Melissa Shirley, Thos. Shirley and Mrs. Electa Smith. J. Burgher and J. L. Hepburn were elected elders. In 1895, a neat frame church was erected, costing about $1550, all of which was raised on the ground. Deaths and removals reduced the roll of members from sixty to six in a dozen years, and the church was disbanded in 1907-8. It was an offshoot of the Hopkins Church, to which its remnant returned. The history of this church illustrates that of many feeble or extinct country churches. Depleted by the scattering of their vigorous young to their life work, and the death or removal to town of others, they become weak or die through giving their life blood to the church at large. Elder Hepburn has contributed one

son as a minister, and several highly educated daughters are Christian workers.

The Chula Church was organized in 1895 by Revs. J. H. Tharp, J. M. Ragan and others. So wrote Miss Nellie Lilly, Clerk of Session, in July 1908, but in the absence of the Records, she gave nothing more. The recent elders are D. F. Shiflett, J. N. Ballinger and M. H. Smith. The church is evidently alive as it has a weekly prayer meeting. Its property was valued at $1600 in 1905.

The Morton-Hardin Church was organized in April (or May), 1895, at Hardin, by Revs. Joshua Barbee and J. S. Van Meter. Mr. Barbee was pastor five years till his death. Rev. Ross M. Neel preached a few times, then Revs. Robert L. Brown, J. W. McClure and Guy B. Duff. The present elders are W. C. Kirkpatrick, Thomas Kirkpatrick, J. B. Harrison, James Prather and John J. Stephenson. One of the first elders of the church was H. S. Trigg of Hardin.

Elder J. J. Stevenson, Clerk of Session, furnished the above in August, 1907. The temporary absence of the Records caused the uncertainty as to the date of the organization, and prevented the giving of fuller information.

The Maitland Church was organized July 7, 1895 by Revs. John Wilson and H. A. Sawyers and Elder W. M. Hamsher, with the following members: Ralph Crider, Rosetta Crider, John U. Crozen, Blanche De Bard, Maggie W. Dills, Mollie Frank, Orville Graves, Wilda Graves, Emma Kenyon, D. Ward King, Mary B. King, Lettie Reed King, David McHugh, Elzira Mc Hugh, John L. Ogle, Lottie Powell, Lizzie Robison, Mary Robison, S. D. Robison, Ella Rogers, J. P. Rogers, Rose Rogers, Elizabeth Shields, William Shields. Messrs. Crozen, Graves and Ogle were chosen elders. With the preceding, the elders are Wm. Shields, D. Mc

Hugh, R. Crider, F. P. Gates, J. M. Kenyon, H. K. Noel, Samuel Weaver and Chas. Graves. The church has been supplied by C. P. Blayney, W. E. Caldwell, H. P. Alexander and Jeremiah Moore.

The church, which cost about $4,500 was built in 1898. The manse, purchased for $1,500, stands in a half acre lot.

We are indebted to Elder H. K. Noel, Clerk of Session, for the above.

Rev. J. T. McKitrick, pastor of The United Presbyterian Church of St. Joseph, writes: "The church was organized in 1899, by the Board of Home Missions. Rev. W. R. Leeper was pastor until June, 1907, and the undersigned since September, 1907. The elders have been F. D. McKinley, E. M. Wallace, D. E. Lawhead, D. R. Forgan, Wylie McKinley and J. A. Crawford. The present church building cost $7,000 and the lot on which it stands cost $5,000.

The following is condensed from a fuller sketch kindly furnished by Elder J. A. Speer, Clerk of Session of the Burlington Junction United Presbyterian Church.

Work was begun at this place September 24, 1899, by Rev. J. W. Johnson, and continued by members of College Springs Presbytery who volunteered their services. On Thursday evening, February 22, 1900, Rev. S. S. Martin of College Springs, Iowa, and Elders W. P. Morrison of College Springs and J. K. Herron of Coin, Iowa, the committee of Presbytery, having held services for five days, "proceeded to the organization known as the First United Presbyterian Congregation, Burlington Junction, Mo. The charter members were James M. Affleck, Mrs. Nannie Affleck, Howard and Jessie Affleck, J. L. Duff, Mrs. Emma Duff, John A. Duff, T. E. Fordyce, Mrs. W. H. Hamilton and Mrs. Geo. Thompson, by letter; and Anna M. Duff and Effie

Thompson, on profession. J. L. Duff and T. E. Fordyce were elected elders, and J. M. Affleck, J. L. Duff and Mrs. Hamilton, trustees.

February 23, 1902, a church building costing $4,350, was dedicated, free of debt, the sermon being by Rev. R. B. A. McBride of Tarkio.

The church has been supplied by Revs. J. P. Gibson, D. P. Smith, J. E. Barr, W. H. Anderson, E. J. Griffith and Joseph Calhoun, D. D.; and served by Elders J. L. Duff, T. E. Fordyce, J. M. Affleck, J. A. Speer, S. C. Taylor and J. R. George. Up to September, 1908, sixty-eight members had been received."

The work in South St. Joseph which resulted in the organization of Faith Church was begun in June, 1899, by Elders J. O. McClain and O. P. Torrance of Hope Church, at the solicitation of Mrs. E. E. Brown and Mr. Albert N. Sprague. The first meetings were held in Hagan Hall with an attendance of only eight, but patience and faith triumphed. In November, 1899, they began a neat frame church costing nearly $1700, which was completed in March, 1900. The deep interest felt in the enterprise by all the kindred churches of St. Joseph is shown by the participation in the organization of the church, September 2, 1900, of Revs. E. B. Sherwood, T. D. Roberts and E. W. Symonds, and Elders W. M. Sherwood, F. J. Behne and W. J. Sanders of Westminster; A. A. Elliott and C. M. Miller of Third Street, and W. K. Adams and O. P. Torrance of Hope.

The charter members were Mrs. E. E. Brown, Horace L. Ewing, Cora S. Ewing, Chas. W. Hengston, Albert N. Sprague, Mrs. Laura Sprague, W. L. Upton, Mrs. R. B. West, J. B. Wright, M. D., Mrs. J. B. Wright, J. W. Wright and Mrs. J. W. Wright. The first elders were W. L. Upton and J. W. Wright, and they have been followed by O. Burnett, G. H. Moffett, Henry Dishner, W. E. Blanchard, Walter H. Pennington, Wm. Dishner, Chas. McKay and Samuel Johnston.

The church has been served by Revs. R. Bruce West, H. A. Brown, David C. Davies and D. Augustus Shetler.

In 1901 a manse costing $900 was provided. The church is doing a good work, its specialty being the Sabbath school. Most of the above was furnished by Elder O. Burnett, Clerk of Session.

In the spring of 1901, three young men from the First Presbyterian Church of St. Joseph started a little Sabbath school in the King Hill school house, South St. Joseph. Elder T. B. Campbell took a special interest in the work, and Rev. I. F. Swallow, who had just graduated from Louisville Seminary, began work there the first Sabbath of June. By his untiring zeal and perseverance the work grew, and by the prompt liberality of friends in the First Church, the foundation for the church building was laid September 17, 1901. The building was formally opened for services, November 17, 1901, and the church was organized January 17, 1902, with the following members; Miss Charlotte Anderson, J. P. Anthony and wife, F. C. Brown and wife, G. S. Brown and wife, James Clemenson, Mrs. Augusta Conners and her two daughters, Albert D. Conway and wife, E. A. Crain, Mrs. Edds and her two daughters, Wm. E. Ervin, Chas. A. Hoffman and wife Mrs. Bessie Jones, Mrs. Grace McKelvey, George A. Mosier and wife, C. C. Miller, wife and daughter, Miss Luella Norris, Mrs. D. A. Pope, Mrs. Belle Rasmus, Mrs. Vina Stout and Miss Mary Waugh. Messrs. Hoffman and Mosier were elected elders; and J. Clemenson, deacon.

Rev. I. F. Swallow was elected pastor, and after three years of untiring and successful work, he accepted a call to Augusta, Ky. After going without a permanent pastor for over a year, our friends succeeded in getting for us Rev. B. B. Sutcliffe, who is doing excellent work. William E. Ervin and E. W. Sandusky have been added to our bench of elders, and J. J. Hendra, W. Barton, Wm. Kirschner and Geo. Anthony, to

the board of deacons. The church, which is situated on the corner of Hyde Park Avenue and Fifth Street, and the manse were built for about $10,000. Wm. Kirschner is Superintendent of the flourishing Sabbath school.

The above was condensed from a fuller account furnished by Elder Wm. E. Ervin, Clerk of Session.

The Brookdale Church, like so many others, had its beginning in a Sabbath school. This Sabbath school "was established in the spring of 1903, in a public school building on Edmond St., and was maintained as a mission school of the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church of St. Joseph, until the fall of 1903. In November the Presbytery of Platte (C. P.), assumed control and placed the Rev. W. S. Harold in charge. He was ordered to make a canvas of the Presbytery for funds with which to erect a building. His labor was so successful that on June 19, 1904 the Sunday school was changed from the school building to the new building which was dedicated, free of debt, on July 3, 1904. The church is located on Sylvanie Street in what is known as the Brookdale Addition, and is valued at $1500, beside the lot which cost $500.

"On January 1, 1905, the organization of the congregation was consummated by Rev. W. S. Harold. The list of charter members is as follows: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ainscombe, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Clonkey, Homer and Waldo Clonkey, C. E. Dobson, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Dumbreck, Misses Catherine and Celia Dumbreck, Mrs. W. S. Harold, Mrs. J. W. Hagerty, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Munger, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pumphrey, Miss Nellie Pumphrey, W. P. Sampson, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Story, and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wise. Messrs. Clonkey, Sampson and Story were elected elders; and Munger and Wise, deacons.

"Rev. W. S. Harold served the congregation until June, 1905, when he accepted a call to the pastorate

of the church at Memphis, Mo. The church was without regular services, except a Sunday night service conducted by a Y. M. C. A. worker, till in the spring of 1906. Then the Chuch Extension Committee of the Synod of Missouri secured the services of Rev. Wm. A. McCammon, who took charge of the work, June 1, 1906."

The above was furnished by Mr. McCammon in June, 1907. He went to Arizona in 1908, and the church is now in charge of Rev. Duncan Brown. Mr. Llewellyn White has been added to the Session.

Extinct and Non-reporting Churches.

In this section are found only the extinct churches not already noticed and the non-reporting churches, excepting Mt. Bethel, because of its relation to Bee Creek; Bethlehem and Pratherville because of the date of their organization is not definitely known; and the Pleasant View, First Cumberland of St. Joseph and York, because their sketches were not obtained in time to be inserted in their proper place chronologically. Where the known facts are few, as is often the case, they are all given.

That there are so many extinct churches is no cause for surprise or severe criticism. In a new country where people change residence so freely and nothing is yet crystallized or settled, the most flattering prospects of any locality may utterly fail, so that enterprise and activity in building up the Master's kingdom, necessarily involves some apparent waste. Still some of these extinct churches have raised up a minister of the gospel—a thing that many of our larger churches have never done. A denominational zeal which sometimes sought to build up one branch of the church militant at the expense of another and which was more tolerated in the early times than now, was responsible for much of the real waste.

The date of the organization of the Bethlehem—often called Walnut Grove—Church, has not been learned. Mrs. Mary Calhoun Baker of Denver wrote in November, 1906: "Bethlehem Church was organized in the early fifties. From 1854 until their death, Edward Pickett and Andrew Robertson were elders. My father, Alexander J. Calhoun, was ruling elder and clerk. He died November 22, 1904 at the age of ninety years and twelve days. Rev. Daniel Patton was one of the early pastors of the church, if not the first." Mrs. Calhoun sent an editorial obituary of her husband

which will be found, in condensed form, among the "Early Pioneers." The Records were left in the hands of the deacons, Messrs. R. L. Harbaugh and Wm. Sevier, from whom no response to inquiries made has been received.

In 1905, fifteen members were reported, and church property (four miles north of Liberty) valued at $1000. The last reported membership of the church was only five, but it to be hoped that it will be maintained, if only as an out-station. Many such are needed to prevent many of our country districts from lapsing into practical heathenism.

We are indebted to Elder E. R. Melton, Clerk of Session of the Pleasant View Church, for the following highly valued information. The old church Record has been lost.

"In 1874, Rev. L. F. Hayes organized what was known as the New Liberty C. P. Church at the New Liberty school house, four and a half miles east and one mile north from Craig. The congregation used the school house till the New Liberty Baptist church was built right near it, both congregations using that for several years. Then the Presbyterians held their services in the Lonesome school house, one half mile south and one mile west of where the present church stands. This was built in 1889, at a cost of $1600, and is located three and a half miles north and four miles east of Craig.

"The charter members were Mason F. Dawson, Mary Dearmont, Thomas Dearmont, Clark Eppler, Harvey Finney, Andrew Judy, Eliz. Judy, Chris. Neiderhouser, Mrs. Mary Neiderhouser, Thos. Simpson, Wm. Skelly and wife, Henry Walker, Miss Mary Walker and D. A. Young. The following is a list of ministers: L. F. Hayes, J. Harvey Norman, Chas. B. Powers, F. G. Prall, O. D. Allen, W. F. Perry, H. R. Norris, W. C. Carter, John A. Murphy, D. M. Boyer, R. B. West and

John Duncan. The list of ruling elders is Chris. Neiderhouser, And. Judy, D. A. Young, J. R. Nauman, John Strough, H. Finney, E. R. Melton, W. E. Johnston, A. T. Rowland, Peter S. Nauman, J. H. Neely, S. D. Painter and B. F. Judy."

Elder D. B. Jesse, Clerk of Session of the Pratherville Church, furnished the following very satisfactory sketch. He wrote in December, 1908:

"The earliest records of our church were destroyed by fire in 1898. The Pratherville C. P. Church was organized at Missouri City by Rev. L. J. A. Prather, in either the year 1866 or 1867, and was known as the Missouri City congregation. The first elders we have any record of were Robert Gilmore, James Allcorn and Jefferson Robertson. For several years —until 1873— the congregation worshipped at Missouri City in connection with the Methodist Church, after which a church was erected at Pratherville under the efficient leadership of Rev. J. A. Prather. After the building was erected, chiefly at the expense of Mr. Prather, the Fishing River Baptist Church paid one half the expense of erection and worshipped in it till they moved to Mosby in 1891. The Presbyterians continued to worship in the old church till the dedication of the new one, which was built with the aid of the Christian Union Church, the latter paying one third of the expense on condition that they be allowed use of the building one Sabbath in each month. The church was completed at a total cost of $1400, and was dedicated May 29, 1898.

"The elders in 1873 were Wm. Wilkerson, Perry Cameron, F. M. Carroll and A. J. Martin. The present elders are J. E. Ferril, F. M. Carroll, F. J. Vaughn and D. B. Jesse. The pastors since the church was organized, as nearly as we can give them in their order, are as follows: L. J. A. Prather, John Prather, Lafayette Munkirs, O. D. Allen, Geo. W. Hawley, L. F. Hayes, H. R. Norris, H. W. Fisher, Y. W. Whit-

sett, Arthur L. O'Dell, R. H. Craig, J. H. Tharp and James Froman.

"For several years there were only a few who kept the church alive, and these faithful few were Mrs. Mary P. Vaughn and her daughter, Mrs. John M. Hart, Mrs. Thos. Smith, Mrs. L. C. Pettus (till recently Clerk of Session), F. M. Carroll, his wife and daughter Emma and Mrs. Wm. Wilkerson; a few years later, H. R. Norris and wife. In 1894 Rev. C. E. Hayes conducted a revival in which the church was greatly strengthened, heads of families being converted and coming into the church. Among these were Messrs. Thos. Smith and J. N. Hart, husbands of two of the women who had labored so untiringly, and Mr. F. J. Vaughn, son of Mary P. Vaughn, an aged and loyal member. Mr. Vaughn has been Superintendent of the Sabbath school ever since then."

Elder Luke H. Moss, Superintendent of the Sabbath school of the first Cumberland Church of St. Joseph for twenty years, has kindly furnished the following data: "The original church was built in 1882, Rev. F. M. Miller being considered the moving spirit in the enterprise. Associated with him were such men as Ed. M. Davidson, T. B. Gordon, Wiley H. Chapman, et al. Among the first elders were E. M. Davidson and J. W. White. Dr. J. W. Burton Farr, Revs. S. A. Sadler, Alonzo Pearson, J. H. Norman, J. H. Doran, D. E. Bushnell, D. D., M. B. Irvine, G. A. Blair, P. M. Simms and Arthur W. Henderson have been pastors; the latter is now. We have maintained a Sunday school from the start which has always taken a leading part in the church work of this city and Platte Presbytery. The old church house was razed in 1903, during the pastorate of G. A. Blair and a new one built on the same site, containing seven class rooms and a primary class room, all facing and opening into the auditorium so that we can seat a thousand persons. This church, Sixteenth and Edmond Streets, cost $5000. T. P. Gor-

don, J. A. Whiteford, Bruce Mitchelhill, W. D. Boyer and myself compose the present eldership."

Rev. R. H. Barnes, D. D., the pastor writes: The United Presbyterian Congregation of York was organized in the summer of 1878, by Rev. Marion Morrison, under the name of Greenville, and was under the care of the United Presbyterian Presbytery of Nebraska. The first members were Joseph and Ellen Ely, Samuel Hafferty, Solomon and Susan McCully, W. O. Miller, James and Ellen Rankin, Misses Laura and Lou Rankin and Wm. P. and Eliz. J. Smith. Solomon McCully and Joseph Ely were elected elders. The name of the congregation was changed to York, to correspond with the name of the post office where the members received their mail, in 1881, when the Rev. R. H. Barnes came to the congregation as its pastor.

In the Cumberland General Assembly Minutes for 1905, the Agency Church was reported as having a house of worship and a manse valued at $2,000, eighty resident members, and sixty-seven in attendance on Sabbath school. From other sources we learn that the recent pastors have been A. W. Green and D. M. Boyer, and the present elders are James A. Smiley, Thos. Brinton and Jos. Smiley. The Sabbath school is vigorous.

Alpha Church, Grundy county, is found in the Minutes of the Synod of Missouri for 1907 and 1908, but not in the Cumberland Minutes for 1905 and 1906. Probably it became extinct before 1905.

The only mention of the Antioch Church found is that it was dropped from the roll of Upper Missouri Presbytery, April 3, 1869. Its location is not known.

Sometime in 1868 a church was organized at Salem

by Rev. J. N. Young (its first pastor) with eleven members, and it was received by Upper Missouri Presbytery, October 3, 1868, Elder Arthur Andrews representing it. "In 1870 it was removed two miles east to Barnard, the name being changed accordingly, and reorganized by Rev. E. B. Sherwood with Mrs. C. C. Baker, James Griffin and wife, Wm. Griffin, C. House and wife, J. C. McCandliss and wife, Mrs. S. McFarland, Samuel Stonehocker and wife, Albert Ulman and others. It was served by E. B. Sherwood, Wm. Ilsley and B. D. Luther. A church costing $1500 was built." So says a history in the Kansas City Library.

From various sources we learn that the church was also served by M. L. Anderson, E. W. Symonds, James Reed and J. K. Sawyers; and that its roll of elders includes J. C. McCandliss, Henry Dorst, James Griffin, Geo. S. Graves, J. C. Robinson, J. E. Akey and Henry Stalling. "The Barnard Church was disbanded and the building sold in 1907." The place is small and was greatly overchurched.

The data for this fragmentary sketch of the Bee Creek Church, including its branches and successors, Fancy Bottom, Iatan, Mt. Pisgah and Mt. Bethel churches, were obtained from Rev. O. D. Allen, Mrs. M. A. Collier, Mrs. Mary Bigham Collier and L. R. Palmer, Clerk of Session, and especially from Elder Isaac W. Carson (son of Elder John H. Carson), Clerk of Session of the Iatan and Mt. Bethel churches from 1874 to 1900, and the venerable Mrs. Minerva Moore (sister of Elder Sidney C. Risk, of Kentucky stock). The dates of the latter, who had access to the Records of the Mt. Bethel Church, are the ones here given.

The Bee Creek Church was organized at the Miller school house (which is believed to have been six or seven miles north-east of Iatan) by Rev. Henry Renick. Very little is positively known of its early history except that Elder John Bigham represented it at the organization of the Platte Presbytery, in 1845. (See

page 4.) After worshiping in school houses for some years, its first building was a log church in the vicinity of the old cemetery on the place now owned by L. D. McColley, about five miles north of Weston. Later they erected a frame building one mile south of the log church. When the name of the church was changed to Mt. Pisgah is unknown, but it probably was when the church was built, the present name of the neighborhood being Pisgah. This building was sold in 1882 or 1883 after the Mt. Pisgah and Iatan churches united to form the Mt. Bethel Church. Sidney C. Risk was an elder in the former church at that time.

Mrs. Moore wrote in November, 1908: "The Fancy Bottom congregation was set off from the Bee Creek congregation by an act of Platte Presbytery, and was organized at the Fancy Bottom school house by Rev. H. R. Smith, in the fall of 1851, by the election of Col. James A. Smith, Geo. W. Dyer and Wm. Staggs as ruling elders. (Another authority gives Phillip Staggs as one of the first elders.) Philip Siler was elected elder in 1859. The name of the congregation was changed from Fancy Bottom to Iatan by Presbytery in the fall of 1859."

Mr. Carson says: "The church house at Iatan was built under the ministry of C. B. Hodges. This being wrecked by a storm some time in the eighties (probably June 16, 1882), the congregation of Iatan, joining in with the remnant of the Mt. Pisgah congregation, built the present Mt. Bethel church" (which is situated three miles east by north from Iatan and about seven miles north by west of Weston. A well-cared-for cemetery is by it.) "The church was dedicated May 4, 1883. Richard Pemberton, S. Robinson, Elias Siler and I. W. Carson were elected elders at Iatan, and H. R. Smith, Benj. McCreary, C. B. Hodges and G. L. Moad preached there."

Mrs. Moore says the record of the first meeting of Session of the Mt. Bethel Church gives F. M. Miller as Moderator and S. C. Risk, G. W. Dyer and I. W.

Carson as elders. C. B. Powers was Moderator in 1887; S. H. Murray, in 1890; L. F. Hayes, in 1892, and W. O. H. Perry, in 1899. Other pastors are O. D. Allen, J. H. Norman, R. D. Miller, Allen Guthrie and S. T. Divinia. A probably incomplete list of later elders is P. Linville, Albert S. Plummer, A. B. Foley, M. C. Ferril, S. P. Rose and Isaac McCrea: of deacons; C. M. Siler, R. Tilton, John W. Carson, James M. Hord and Leonard R. Palmer. The church has been recently revived and greatly strengthened.

In the Presbytery of Chillicothe in the Minutes of the Synod of Missouri for 1906, appears the following: Bethel Church, near Oak Hill, has a frame church and its elders are Wm. Benner and J. R. Briscoe.

In 1905 the Birming Church reported fifteen memgers and church property (situated fourteen miles south of St. Joseph) valued at $800. W. R. Dallam was Clerk of Session.

The Blythedale Church was organized May 6, 1882, by Rev. E. B. Sherwood and Elders A. M. Morgan and James Scott, with eight members, J. H. Myles being elected elder. A church costing $1600 was promptly erected. Deaths and the removal of the leading family caused its disbandment April 2, 1885. Rev. James A. McKay writes: "The church at Blythedale was organized with but one Presbyterian family there at the time. After this family moved away the church was sold to the Baptists," in 1886.

"Rev. J. W. Pinkerton as chairman of the committee to organize a church in Carroll county, reported (to Upper Missouri Presbytery, September 5, 1867) that on Sabbath, June 16, he had organized the First Presbyterian Church in Carroll county, with R. M. McLaury and Samuel Graham, ruling elders." In 1869

this church reported twenty-five members and $1165 raised for congregational purposes; and in 1870, thirty-six members. In October, 1869 it was represented at Presbytery by Elder J. C. Adams. Its name was changed to Ebenezer April 5, 1871. The Ebenezer Church had a house of worship, and was served by Rev. J. D. Beard. It was disbanded in April, 1878.

There was an Old School church in Chillicothe which reported twelve members in 1859, and thirty-eight in 1869. It was vacant both times. It was dissolved and stricken from the roll by Upper Missouri Presbytery, April 4, 1870.

Clear Fork Church appears twice in the Records of Upper Missouri Presbytery, in 1853, with seventeen members, Robt. Scott as its supply, and Ridgeley as its post office; and again in 1869 when it was dropped from the roll. Ridgeley Church, with twenty-six members, Robert Scott as supply and Ridgeley as its post office appears in the roll of the early Platte Presbytery in 1859. Probably the two churches were one and the same.

The Coloma Church was organized October 1, 1870, by Rev. J. D. Beard, with twelve members and one elder, and was dropped from the roll April 2, 1885. Dr. W. H. Dice says: "The Coloma church was organized partly from members of the Ebenezer church. Thomas H. Trussell and wife, Dr. J. P. Dice and wife and Mrs. R. M. McLaury and family were, I presume, among the charter members." The elders were T. H. Trussell, R. D. Allen and Wm. H. Dice, M. D.; the deacons, John Reed and Geo. Ross.

Elderton Church, with J. N. Young as supply, and Gentryville as its post office, but otherwise only a blank report, appears in 1859. It does not appear on the roll

of Upper Missouri Presbytery after June, 1867.

The Fairview Church, six miles northeast of St. Joseph, was originally known as High Prairie. In 1905 it reported fifty-three members, and church property valued at $900. O. B. Lawliss was the pastor; and H. H. Higgins, Clerk of Session.

A church was organized at Farley between September, 1860 and April, 1861. John R. Swain, an eminent Christian and business man, was the elder. His removal to Platte City ended the church.

In 1905 the Faucett Church reported 135 members, with a Sabbath school of fifty, and church property valued at $4,000.

The Forest City Church was organized between April and October, 1860, by Rev. Aug. T. Norton of Alton, Ill. All the records have disappeared. The elders known are H. K. S. Robinson, Wm. Zook, C. C. Platter and J. A. DeMuth. Among those who served it were Willis Weaver, J. S. McClung, Geo. Miller and Geo. A. McKinlay. Under the last, it saw its best days, the membership reaching thirty-four. It embraced some strong earnest men who struggled long against most adverse and discouraging circumstances. Its last published report was in 1888, when its membership had been reduced to seven. The church seems never to have been formally disbanded.

Mr. Harry E. Robinson of Ottumwa, Iowa, son of Elder H. K. S. Robinson, wrote in July, 1907, as follows. "I lived in Forest City till about three years ago. During the last three years of my residence there we tried to reorganize the Presbyterian Church, but could not do it. Rev. H. A. Sawyers of Oregon and others came and preached for us in the Christian church, but

we finally gave it up, and my wife, her sister and I united with the Oregon Church." Mr. Robinson gives the following names of charter or early members: Mrs. Abel, James H. Allen, Mrs. Geo. W. Baldwin, Misses Ann and Mary Canon, Mrs. Canon, Mr. and Mrs. Joe De Muth, Mrs. Seth Ferguson, Mrs. Vine Hovey, Mrs. Ann Kaull, Mrs. Louis Lukehardt, Hugh K. S. and Mary M. Robinson, Mrs. Kitty Wells, Misses Clara, Edith and Joe Wilkinson and Mrs. Emma Williams.

April 3, 1869, Upper Missouri Presbytery "appointed Rev. J. N. Young and Elder R. Muir a committee to organize a church at Valley Mills, if the way be clear." October 9, 1869, "the committee appointed for the purpose report the organization of a church with two ruling elders and eleven members at Valley Mills to be known as Glendale Church."

The enrolment of this church seems to have been neglected, as it never appears in any roll of Presbytery, either written or printed.

A church was organized at Goshen, November 20, 1880, by Revs. E. B. Sherwood and D. McRuer. Among the charter members were Clark Deshler and wife, Mrs. Susan Easter, Thos. M. Harper and wife, Campbell Mehaffy, Mrs. Jennett Mehaffy, Chas. G. Russell and Wm. Tuttle. T. M. Harper and C. G. Russell were the first elders. The latter entered th ministry afterwards. Clark Deshler was an elder later. The church reported two elders and sixteen members in 1882. "The death of the church was caused by the death and removal of its few members." Its last report to Presbytery was in 1885.

For most of the above we are indebted to Mrs. Eliz. Lindsay, of Princeton and Mrs. Malissa Scott of Bethany, early members of the Goshen Church.

The Grand River Church was organized in 1871 by

Rev. J. D. Beard, evidently the outcome of a revival. The first report, in 1872, gave sixteen members, eleven of whom were received on the profession of their faith, and five by letter. The second and last report (in 1873,) gave only ten members. Its location is unknown, but probably it was near the Grand River and in Carroll county.

The Grand View Church, which was probably in Grundy county, was organized September 15, 1865. In 1869 it reported thirty-one members. It was disbanded by Upper Missouri Presbytery in April, 1877. In 1872 it reported forty-nine members, hence probably its speedy disappearance was owing to its absorption by some other church started in the vicinity.

"According to previous agreement, Revs. Robert Cruikshank and E. B. Sherwood and Elder Upton Rohrer, a committee appointed by Platte Presbytery, met at the school house on Hackberry Ridge (several miles northwest of Savannah), May 12, 1872, and finding 'the way clear,' organized the Hackberry Ridge Presbyterian Church. The church consisted of the following sixteen, who were dismissed by order of Presbytery, from the Savannah Church: Andrew Barr, Harriet Barr, Jane Barr, John T. Barr, Wm. Barr, Wm. N. Barr, Abner Hart, Mary Hart, Andrew Hunter, Sarah Hunter, Theodore F. Hunter, Bernice Liggett, John Liggett, Mary Liggett, Elijah Martin and Sarah E. Martin; Jasper Conway and Rebecca Conway, received by certificate; and Harriet Isabella Barr, Joseph Barr, Mary Jane Barr, Maggie Bricilla Hunter, Wm. Hunter, Amanda Langford, M. Louisa Virginia Martin, Frances M. Tatlock and Susan Mildred Thrailkill, received by profession. T. F. Hunter, J. Liggett and E. Martin were chosen and ordained as elders; and Jasper Conway and Abner Hart, deacons."

Later, Andrew Barr and Abner Hart were added to the eldership. March 26, 1896, after the death of

Elder Barr, who for many years had been the only elder, Wm. N. Barr and Robert Goodloe were elected elders; and Wirt Ball and Tine McMurray, deacons. But the change in the residents of the neighborhood, which had been going on for years, continued so that the membership was reduced to six in 1905. The church has been disbanded since, and the plain but commodious house of worship, erected soon after the organization, has been sold. The church was always grouped with Savannah and served by its pastors.

The following sketch of Mr. Barr, who was the Clerk of Session for fifteen years, was furnished by Rev. James Reed, one of his pastors.

Andrew Barr was born December 10, 1822 in County Down, Ireland, and when quite small came with his parents to America, living for a short time in Pennsylvania and then in Scioto county, Ohio, where he married Jane Liggett. He came to Andrew county in 1847 or 1848. About 1852, he moved to Daviess county where he lived till April, 1865, when he returned to Andrew county and settled, in 1866, on the farm where he died, February 8, 1896. Mr. Barr was an earnest and devoted Christian man, always at his post in the church.

Rev. O. D. Allen writes that the first meeting of Platte Presbytery after Barnett Presbytery was consolidated with it, was held at Halleck, Buchanan county in February, 1873, so that we may reasonably conclude there was a Cumberland church there at that time.

The Harmony, now the Prairie Valley, Church, is situated near and east of Gallatin. In 1905 it reported fifty-seven resident members, forty in Sabbath school, and church property valued at $1,000. Henry Hamilton was Clerk of Session. The last report gives it ninety-two members and eighty-seven in Sabbath school. Recent pastors are M. R. Dougherty, N. M. Tatum and Geo. B. Sproule.

The Highland Church was organized December 7, 1879, at the Highland school house, by Revs. Geo. Miller and Geo. A. McKinlay and Elder Robert Montgomery, a committee appointed by Platte Presbytery, with Miss Adda Carroll, Mrs. Eliz. Carroll, Josiah Carroll, Misses Anna and Jessie J. Murray, Linville and Mary Murray, Nicholas F. and Eliz. J. Murray, Miss Josie Norval, Mrs. Jane Riggle, Mrs. Anna Yates and John M. Yates as members. N. F. Murray and J. M. Yates were elected elders. Most of the above were members of the Oregon Church previously. In 1881, it reported twenty-three members and was in a good financial condition. But the lack of a house of worship, with deaths and removals, caused its disbandment.

Honey Creek Church is near Spickard. In 1905 it reported sixty-six resident members, thirty in Sabbath school, and church property valued at $800. S. D. Belt was pastor, and J. C. Hon, Clerk of Session.

The Independence Church is six miles northeast of Easton. In 1905, it reported eighty resident members, thirty in Sabbath school and church property valued at $900. R. H. Craig was pastor. The last report gives thirty-five members, and G. W. Williams, D. T. Mark, Chas. Krofft, Silas Kerns and W. H. Sifers as the elders.

The Jameson Church was organized August 26, 1882, in the M. E. Church (South), by Revs. Alvin B. Goodale and Geo. A. McKinlay and Elder S. D. B. Poage, with Geo. P. and Sarah Allen, Miss Lucy Cole, Lewis J. Gallagher, Miss Jessie Miller, Dr. Charles and Mary Frances Pipkin and John S. and Sarah E. White as members. Dr. C. Pipkin and J. S. White were elected elders. Geo. P. Allen and John H. Miller became elders later.

The last sessional record is dated February 17, 1895, when eight members, including an elder, were

dismissed to other churches. On the removal of Dr. Pipkin, always the Clerk of Session, who had labored heroically to sustain the church, it was dropped from the roll. No house of worship had been erected, the Methodist brethren having most courteously and generously given the use of their church for all meetings.

In 1905, the Jamesport Church reported twenty-eight resident members, thirty in Sabbath school, and church property valued at $1500. J. W. McGee was Clerk of Session.

April 3, 1868, "Rev. J. P. Fox reported to Upper Missouri Presbytery the organization in part of a church at Kingston. The report was adopted and the committee continued." It was "stricken from the roll," April 3, 1869.

The Liberty Church, eight miles northwest of Albany, reported thirty resident members, thirty in Sabbath school, and church property valued at $500, in 1905. M. B. Irvine was pastor, and W. P. Caster, Clerk of Session. In 1907, J. R. Ross was clerk of Session.

The Long Branch Church, located in the vicinity of Hopkins, appears first in 1878, with eleven members and was supplied for five years by Rev. F. B. Dinsmore. Though its highest number of members was nineteen, it had four elders, James H. Bain, Noah Barks, John McKee and H. H. Conrad. It never had a house of worship. At its last report, in 1885, it had ten members.

The Macedonia Church, which is near Bogard, was organized in 1860. In 1905 it reported forty resident members and church property valued at $1,000. S. S. Hardin was the pastor, and J. C. Daugherty, Clerk of

Session. J. C. Daugherty and W. M. Dice are the present elders, and J. Caulk the Sabbath school Superintendent.

Maple Grove Church, five miles northeast of Fairfax, reported twenty-six resident members and church property valued at $1,200, in 1905. W. H. Hindman was Clerk of Session, and it had no pastor. J. A. Sauceman was Clerk of Session in 1906.

April 3, 1868, Upper Missouri Presbytery enrolled a church recently organized at Maryville by Revs. J. N. Young and Wm. M. Stryker. It reported twelve members in 1869, and was dissolved by Presbytery and stricken from its roll, April 2, 1870. Mrs. John Leiber, the only charter member known, became afterwards a charter member of the Union Church.

The McFall Church, which was organized in 1888, reported twelve resident members, church property valued at $1000 and $150 paid for preaching, in 1905. Wm. P. Brown was Clerk of Session. The recent pastors are E. L. Uptegrove, Geo. B. Sproule and E. C. Seabright. W. P. Brown and Daniel Fox are the elders.

The Mizpah Church was organized, April 14, 1878, in the New Salem school house (eight miles northwest of Skidmore and two miles south-east of Dotham) by Revs. J. W. Allen and E. B. Sherwood, and Elders Adam Faris and H. C. Wilson of Tarkio, a committee of Platte Presbytery appointed for the purpose. Mrs. Margaret Bilby, Mrs. Mary E. Botkin, Mrs. E. F. Carter, Mrs. Alamed Speakman, Bruce and Mary A. Walker and John A. and Nancy Wilson were received by letter; and Mrs. Lizzie Sloper, Miss Anna Walker, and Homer L. and Lucy T. Walker, on profession. B. Walker and J. A. Wilson were elected elders. John Dyer Owens, a licentiate of Allegheny Presbytery had

preached there, as one of his mission stations, regularly for the previous six months.

Later, J. Hervey Laird became an elder; and John W. Botkin and John Price, deacons. The church never had a house of worship. Owing to the building of a railroad near, New Salem ceased to be a central point, and being reduced to a membership of nine, the church was disbanded April 22, 1896, after bravely and faithfully doing a good work. Elder Walker stood by it till the last.

The Mt. Carmel Church, eight miles from Bogard, was organized in 1881. In 1905 it reported twenty-seven resident members, church property valued at $500, and $148 expended in repairs. G. S. Renner was Clerk of Session and S. E. McDonald, pastor. The present elders are G. S. Renner and Adam Liller.

The Mt. Carmel Church, near Rockport, reported in 1905 twenty-five resident members, forty in Sabbath school, church property valued at $800, and $150 for preaching. W. C. Carter was pastor and W. D. Morrow, Clerk of Session. G. W. Morrow was Clerk of Session in 1907.

The Mt. Gilead Church, near Cameron, reported nine resident members and church property valued at $1,000, but no pastor, in 1905. H. Wamsley was Clerk of Session.

The early name of the Mt. Pleasant Church, near Richmond, was Timber Ridge. In 1905, it reported thirty-three resident members, and church property, which includes a manse, valued at $2,000. J. E. Cortner was pastor, and W. R. Patton, Clerk of Session.

In 1905, the Mt. Zion Church, near Denver, Harrison county, reported nineteen resident members, for-

ty-five in Sabbath school, and property valued at $650. J. E. Carver was Clerk of Session.

The New Market—later the Dearborn—Church was organized September 1, 1866, by Rev. J. L. Riley with the following members: Sarah E. Baty, Catharine Carnard, Ann Eliza Cartwright, Mary Frie, Virginia Frie, Martha Furber, G. W. Gant, Nancy A. Gant, Susan S. Gant, Rebecca Gibbs, Elizabeth Lamar, Frances Lamar, John Lamar, Wm. Lamar, Anah Mason, Carrie Neal, Mary H. Neal, S. D. Neal, Hannah Singleton and Josie Singleton. John Lamar and S. D. Neal were chosen elders.

J. L. Riley, F. M. Miller, James H. Norman, R. D. Miller and C. B. Powers were among the early pastors. The elders are John Lamar, S. D. Neal, Jerome Mullendore, Wm. Litzenberg, Wm. A. Singleton, John Woodhouse, Wm. Wilson and James Siner.

Rev. Geo. D. Mullendore writes: "We worshiped with the M. E. people both at New Market and at Dearborn, but at New Market we owned a half interest in the house, and at Dearborn they extended the courtesy of their church to us until during the pastorate of Rev. Chas B. Powers, we built a joint house, about 1880, with the Christians with whom we held services, they having the exclusive right of the house one half of every month and we the other half, and we got on well together until we sold out our half to them about two years ago, on account of removals and deaths. We removed from New Market upon the founding of Dearborn, when we sold our property in New Market."

The report for 1905 gave ten resident members, church property valued at $400, and $50 spent in repairs. This church since then has been dropped from the roll, after having done a good work and furnished to the church at large one useful minister, Geo. D. Mullendore, son of Elder Jerome Mullendore. Mrs. Edith Siner, the last Clerk of Session, being too enfeebled by

age for the task, passed the letter of inquiry over to another venerable "Mother in Israel," Mrs. Kathryne (Jerome) Mullendore, who was translated to her heavenly home by a cyclone, near Hydro, Okla., June 5, 1909. In June, 1908, with trembling hand, she furnished most of the above information in the form of full extracts from the Records.

The Osborn Church was organized June 5, 1865, by Rev. E. B. Sherwood with the following members: Sidney J. Brownson, Mrs. Nancy Edie, Thos. J. Edie, Carrie W. Higgins, Mrs. Harriett W. Higgins, Mrs. Alice A Loring and Wm. E. Loring. W. E. Loring was elected elder; and S. J. Brownson, T. J. Edie and W. E. Loring, trustees. A church, twenty by forty feet, was erected in 1869. Later on, S. J. Brownson, Samuel Bouton, Geo. A. McKinlay and Geo. A. Brown were chosen elders. The church was served by C. W. Higgins, J. C. Thornton and James H. Hunter. The last meeting of Session recorded was January 21, 1880. The church was sold in 1893, and the proceeds turned over to the Board of Church Erection.

Always a small church and fatally depleted by removals, it did not live in vain, for it gave the church one valuable minister, Geo. A. McKinlay.

In 1893, there was a Cumberland Church at Osborn, but since that date it has disappeared from the rolls.

The Paint Lick Church, eight or ten miles north of Trenton, was organized early in 1856 by Rev. Timothy Morgan. It had a plain building. It became extinct during the Civil War.

The Minutes of the Synod of Missouri for 1885-7 give Patton as the name of a church in the Presbytery of Platte, with N. C. Griffith, M. D. as its elder, but the name has not been found elsewhere.

A church was organized at Phelps City by Rev. E. B. Sherwood, September 2, 1869, and in 1870 reported ten members, and fifty in Sabbath school. Of the charter and early members only the following are known: Mrs. Bush, Mr. and Mrs. Dort, Miss Ellen Dort, Mr. Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson and Miss Emma C. Shepperson. Mr. Dort was chosen elder, Mr. Osborne, deacon, and Rev. Luther Dodd became the pastor in 1871. Mr. Robinson became elder later. After the death of Mr. Dort, the pastor and a part of the church became discouraged, so that the church, at its own request, was disbanded April 3, 1873.

Most of the above was furnished, from memory, in March, 1906, by Miss Shepperson, the only surviving charter member.

The Pisgah Church, six or eight miles northwest of Bethany, was organized by Revs. F. B. Dinsmore and D. McRuer, October 17, 1873. In 1874 it reported sixteen members, and Rev. F. B. Dinsmore as pastor. It was disbanded in 1875.

Tradition says that Platte was the name of one of the four churches with which Platte Presbytery, C. P. was organized. Very probably it was the Agency Church, of whose early history we have learned nothing.

Platte Church was organized by Rev. F. Starr, November 20, 1853. In 1854 it reported four members, and in 1855, six.

There was a Cumberland Church in Platte City in the sixties. It is mentioned incidentally in the Annals of Platte County.

Pleasant Ridge Church, one mile south-east of Fairfax, was organized in 1868. In 1905, it reported sixty-three resident members, fifty in Sabbath school, church

property including a manse $1800, and $140 expended in repairs. S. T. Divinia was the pastor, and W. K. White, Clerk of Session. Present elders W. K. White, W. H. Hindman, Richard White and J. A. Hunter, M. D.

A church was organized March 20, 1881 at Ravanna by Revs. E. B. Sherwood and John Huston, with thirteen members. Hezekiah Snyder and Thos. Clapham were the elders, and Jacob Clingingsmith, the deacon. Being inadquately supplied with preaching because of its isolation, it languished, and was dropped from the roll, April 2, 1885.

Richfield Church appears in the Minutes of the General Assembly (O. S.) for 1869, as vacant and having forty members. Its location is an unsolved puzzle.

A New School church was organized at Richmond in February, 1843, by Rev. Edmund Wright. In 1846 it reported thirty members and Elijah P. Noel as pastor. Col. John Rice was a very active and prominent elder in it. In 1853, it reported five members, and in 1854, only three.

Nov. 18, 1883, Rev. W. T. Scott and Elder S. A. Gray organized the Rockford Church (near Hale). Dr. W. H. Dice wrote, October, 1905: "Rockford Church had for charter members, John Warnock, Margaret Warnock, Clara Warnock, Bell Frock and Martin Crose and wife. John Warnock was the elder and very devoted to the church." Probably this church was the successor of the Grand River Church organized by Rev. J. D. Beard in 1871. In 1884 it reported eleven members and two elders. Some of its members joined in the forming of the Tina Church in 1886, and it was disbanded in March, 1887. Its elders were J. Warnock and Stephen Crose.

Rock House Church, about five miles south of Easton and now extinct, was represented by Elder Abijah Means at the organization of Platte Presbytery (C. P.) in April, 1845.

Rock House Church, (probably in the vicinity of the above) appears in the report of Platte Presbytery (O. S.) for 1859, with seventeen members, and two adult and six infant baptisms, Robert Scott being the pastor.

There was a Cumberland Church at San Antonio in the early sixties, but no particulars have been obtained. It may have been one of the four churches with which Platte Presbytery began, of which Bee Creek, Rock House and Cumberland Ridge (Savannah) are known.

The Shady Grove Church was stricken from the roll by Kansas City Presbytery, April 22, 1908. Rev. James Froman wrote, July, 1908: "Shady Grove Congregation was once prominent in religious work. The church building is still standing, three and a half miles east of Kearney. The congregation nearly all worship at Pratherville now, but have a Basket Meeting once a year on the old Camp Ground."

Mrs. Adelia Taylor, Clerk of Session, wrote in June, 1907: "The Tinney Grove Congregation was organized at the Tinney Grove Methodist church, April 30, 1888, by Rev. O. D. Allen. The original members were: Caleb Brown, A. B. Cowsert, M. F. Cowsert, Rosannah Cowsert, Sarah Cowsert, Wm. A. Cowsert, John A. Dixon, Almeda Hampton, B. A. Johnson, H. S. Johnson, Adelia Long, Ollie Long, Lucinda Long, S. H. Long, S. F. Petree, Caroline Wingling and Rosinda Wingling; the ruling elders: A. B. Cowsert, C. Brown, J. A. Dixon, Jos. L. Wilson, John A. Petree, Hedar O. Cowsert and Harvey E. Hanna; and the ministers: O. D. Allen, E. S. Ragan, James Froman, Geo. W. Haw-

ley, H. G. King, H. W. Fisher, H. R. Norris, E. M. Wright and L. F. Hayes."

The church house which was valued at $500, in 1905, is located near Braymer. Then there were but nine members, and fewer since. By removals to a railroad town near, and the giving up of the post office for a rural route, the place ceased to be a center of population and business, and the church was stricken from the roll, July 31, 1908.

A church was organized at Trenton in September or October, 1851, by Rev. S. J. M. Beebe, with six members. Elder James G. Vincent represented it repeatedly in Lexington Presbytery. It reported nine members in 1853, and ten, in 1856.

Union Chapel, near Clarksdale, reported, in 1905, thirty resident members, church property valued at $500, and $45 expended in repairs. O. B. Lawliss was the pastor, and J. M. Hayter, Clerk of Session. A. S. McDaniel was the pastor in 1906.

April 24, 1842, Rev. Geo. M. Crawford reported as follows to Lexington Presbytery: "On the sixteenth day of November, 1851, I organized a church in Carrollton consisting of eight members. Two were elected elders. The above church asks to be taken under care of this Presbytery and to be called the Wacandah Presbyterian Church." (The name is also written Waconda and Wakenda, and it appears in printed records repeatedly, as the Carrollton Church.) James Arter was one of the elders, and Wm. Wallace, who represented the church in Presbytery in October, 1855, was probably the other. In 1855, it reported fifteen members, and the same number in 1859. The Civil War seems to have quenched this little light, as well as many others.

In 1905, the Watson Church reported eighty-three resident members, fifty in the Sabbath school, and church property, including a manse, valued at $2,000. Rev. W. C. Carter was the pastor, and W. H. Good, Clerk of Session. James M. Bell was pastor in 1906. The present elders are W. H. Good, Marion Good, I. B. Jones, M. D., Sylvester Hall and John Garst. The Sabbath school is very flourishing.

The Westboro Church was organized August 23, 1882 by Revs. B. D. Luther and F. J. Reichert. In 1883 it reported two elders and fourteen members. While it was grouped with Tarkio it prospered, but being left for years without a supply, it died a slow death. In 1892 it reported only eight members.

The West Fork Church, near Grant City, in 1905, reported thirty-eight resident members, thirty in Sabbath school and church property valued at $800. W. O. H. Perry was the pastor and Joseph Simpson, Clerk of Session. S. H. Murray was the pastor in 1906.

Since the first "form" was printed, it has been learned that the West Union Church was about six miles east of Weston. At one time it had thirty-three members, but Weston having become a large and thriving place, the people and business were drawn to it.

The Wheeling Church was organized October 20, 1869, by Rev. E. B. Sherwood, with twelve members. Isaac A. White was probably the first elder. The failure of the town to become an important railroad point explains the final decadence of the church. A lot was given to the church at the beginning, but no building was ever erected. The membership reached twenty-nine in 1872 but soon the existence of the church became a struggle which was bravely kept up till its dis-

bandment in 1896. Peter P. Peugh, the last elder, stood by it till the end.

The Willow Brook Church was organized some time in 1861 by Rev. Robert Scott. Its Records having been destroyed by accident, but little of its early history can be given. Its house of worship was located about twelve miles southeast of St. Joseph. Alex. Smiley was one of the first elders, and John Douglass was probably another. In 1869 it reported only six members, but in 1871, nineteen. Though it never became larger, it maintained a flourishing Sabbath school for a long time, and was not formally disbanded till April 20, 1893.

Early Pioneers.

It is due to the living who are specially mentioned here and elsewhere, to say that such sketches (except as found in the Ministerial Register) are given without either their knowledge or consent, and the only regret is that more could not be given, for the Church has a right to know something of and to appreciate its worthies before they are called away to higher service.

The fact that in many cases the data concerning the early pioneers is disappointingly meager, has not prevented the giving of that little. For the information we are able to give about the early pioneers of the Cumberland Church, we are chiefly indebted to Rev. O. D. Allen.

It is very noticeable that the early pioneers were not only "home missionaries," but also largely "foreign missionaries" in the sense of laboring among the Indians. Also, that they were largely self-supporting, often working with their own hands as did the Apostle Paul.

Before proceeding to individual sketches, a few facts of early history worthy of preservation, furnished by Rev. O. D. Allen, will be given.

"Rev. Henry Renick moved from Clay county into Platte somewhere between 1838 and 1840. About that time he organized at the Miller school house, what was first called the Bee Creek congregation. About the same time Rev. John Price came from Logan county, Ky., and settled in the neighborhood; and Revs. Jesse R. Allen and Moses Allen, coming from Calloway county, settled in the same parts. Rev Hugh R. Smith from Clay county came up in 1841 and settled where the town of Wallace now is."

Rev. O. D. Allen, the Nestor of Platte Presbytery (C. P.), is of Scotch-Irish ancestry and "Presbyterian

all the way back." In 1851, before he was twenty-one, he was sent on a missionary tour in Northwestern Missouri and Southwestern Iowa, and his whole life has been emphatically a missionary one. "Abundant in labors," a most self-denying Christian soldier, he has ever served where the need was the greatest and the fight the hottest. Full of years and honors, he is still an indefatigable worker.

Major Alexander J. Calhoun, who was born in Wilson Co., Tenn., November 10, 1814, was the son of Thomas Calhoun, a greatly revered and eminently pious minister of the gospel, who was born in North Carolina and married Mary Robertson Johnson in 1808. In 1837, Major Calhoun moved to Columbus, Miss., where he engaged in merchandising, and in 1845, to Clay county, where he farmed and taught school till 1853, when he was elected Circuit Clerk, which position he held till 1865, and again from 1874 till 1878.

"Major Calhoun was a devout Christian. He was long a leading member and elder in the Walnut Grove (Bethlehem) Cumberland Church, and attended services there up to his last illness. He was one of the kindliest, sweetest tempered of men, and all his paths were those of peace. In manners he was refined, gentle and gracious. His word was his bond. His purse was open to the needy at all times, and he could deny no one a favor; hence he suffered often from his suretyships. He goes with the blessing of all, and leaves a deliciously fragrant memory."

He was a remarkably active and vigorous man, never needing or using spectacles, and passed the ninetieth milestone on life's journey, going to his rest and reward, November 22, 1904.

Rev. Geo. M. Crawford appears first (in the records we have) as a member of Lexington Presbytery at its organization, November 17, 1841. He took part in the organization of the Arrow Rock, Lexington, Tabo,

Waconda and Plum Grove churches. In 1853, he was the oldest member of the Presbytery, but he continued to labor till his death, June 5, 1858.

Rev. Henry Eppler, son of Jonathan Eppler and Elsie Thomas, was born December 6, 1808, at Sevierville, Tenn. His parents removed to Ft. Hampton, Ala., in 1812, and from there to Randolph County, Mo., in 1822, and later to Carroll county. He studied at Richmond College, took theology under Rev. Daniel Patten, and was (undoubtedly) licensed and ordained by Barnett Presbytery. He married Elizabeth Clark, settled first in Clay county, and removed to Andrew County in the fall of 1837, locating on Dillon Creek. Evidently he was largely a self-supporting home missionary, depending much on farming and teaching. After a very useful life, his work closed at Flag Springs, October 1, 1888.

Elder Wm. Jack, born in Tennessee, March 19, 1778, was an influential citizen of Lexington, Mo., where he settled about 1820. He was converted after he was forty years of age and became a devout and useful ruling elder. He raised a large family who were conspicious fifty years ago. In the early settlement of the Platte Purchase he moved to Platte City where he lived many years in usefulness and honor, and died June 8, 1864, loved and regretted.

Mr. Paxton says (Annals of Platte County): "In 1837 the family moved to Platte and after a few years settled at Platte City. They were a father and mother in Israel, and enjoyed the esteem and veneration of all men. I knew him only in his hoary age, when his whole soul was absorbed in holy contemplations. I procured for him a large-print Testament, and every pleasant day, with the sacred volume under his arm, he would totter to the Presbyterian church, and at a south window, spend an hour in reading, contemplation and prayer."

Rev. Samuel King was one of the founders of the Cumberland Church. He moved to Clay county in the fall of 1824 or 1825, settling where Shady Grove church now is, four miles east of Kearney. In the autumn of 1833, he moved into Johnson county where he resided until his death in 1842. He was said to be a very earnest, powerful and evangelical preacher, doing a wonderful amount of good wherever he went. He preached to the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians, and it was under his preaching that the mother of the Rev. Israel Folsom, a native Indian preacher, was converted. His preaching sometimes resulted in the conviction and conversion of the interpreter. Under the direction of the General Assembly he traveled extensively through the states of Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee and Kentucky, spending at one time twenty months away from his home and family in these long missionary tours. From the foundation which he laid among the Choctaws, a thousand of that tribe once belonged to the church.

Elder Robert Lynn was born in Ballymena, Ireland in 1825. After spending twenty-two years in Canada he came to Missouri in 1868. He has always been a zealous, untiring missionary worker.

Rev. J. M. Morrison writes: "To Mr. Lynn more than any one else is due the organization of the Presbyterian Church of Rockport. At his suggestion—I may say request—I commenced the work which eventuated in the organization of that church. He was the first elder, and the leader in all the branches of its work. He is a man of earnest piety, pronounced opinions and indomitable energy. His life is beyond criticism and is a recommendation of religion. He has the good-will, esteem and confidence of all, and so far as I know, the ill-will of none."

Rev. Duncan McRuer did not come to Missouri from Canada till 1871, yet he was truly a pioneer in the section of the country where he located. He was not

afraid of work or hardship, even starting out in the face of a blizzard to fill an appointment.

A co-presbyter writes: "Rev. Duncan McRuer was a large man in every way. His large head was made massive in appearance by closely curling dark hair and beard. His father was a Highlander who intoned his reading of the Bible and his prayers at family worship because it was not reverent to speak to God or about Him in the tones of ordinary speech. Mr. Mc Ruer used to regret that he had never been able to entirely rid himself of that habit. He preached with a small Bible open in his hand and with few gestures; his round, full voice rising and falling in regular cadence like the waves of the sea.

"He was a clear, strong thinker, and when roused, an eloquent, impressive speaker. His field was Harrison county and he seldom missed an appointment, though Akron was twenty-two miles from his home. His traveling companion was a large mule bearing the familiar but unpopular name of Cain.

"He loved to discuss theology. As chairman of the Home Mission Committee, it was my pleasure once to spend several days with him riding over his great parish and digging into the deep things of God. He closed the interview—'I'm glad to call you my friend, Bullard, but ye'r no sound! ye'r no sound!' "

Elder John Meyer was born in Baden, Germany, December 29, 1822. With his parents he came first to Ohio, and then to Holt Co., Mo. He was converted while serving as farmer in the Iowa and Sac Indian Mission at Highland, Kans. After some years of missionary service there he settled at New Point. He was one of the charter members and elders of the Oregon Church and a regular attendant, coming the long distance with an ox team. Later he was a charter member and elder of the New Point Church also. One beautiful trait of his active, energetic and consecrated character was his loyalty to his pastors. Only once in his life did he criticise one of them, even in his own family,

and that was a great surprise to them. He was happily mated, marrying a Moravian lady. All their thirteen children became Presbyterians—one of them, William, a minister.

Rev. F. Mitchell Miller came to Andrew county in the spring of 1843, when his father, Wm. A. Miller moved there. He was converted at the age of seventeen or eighteen, and put himself under the care of Platte Presbytery at its organization, April, 1845. He was licensed April, 1849, at the Savannah camping ground, and for two years labored as a home missionary in Southwestern Iowa and Northwestern Missouri. September 6, 1848, he married Nancy E. McDonald, and his father died soon after, leaving him the care of his mother and three younger brothers. In earlier years he hired a hand for the farm and missionated nearly six months, teaching a school in the fall and winter for sixteen consecutive winters. He served the church at San Antonio for many years, but was very active all his life as an evangelist and organizer of churches.

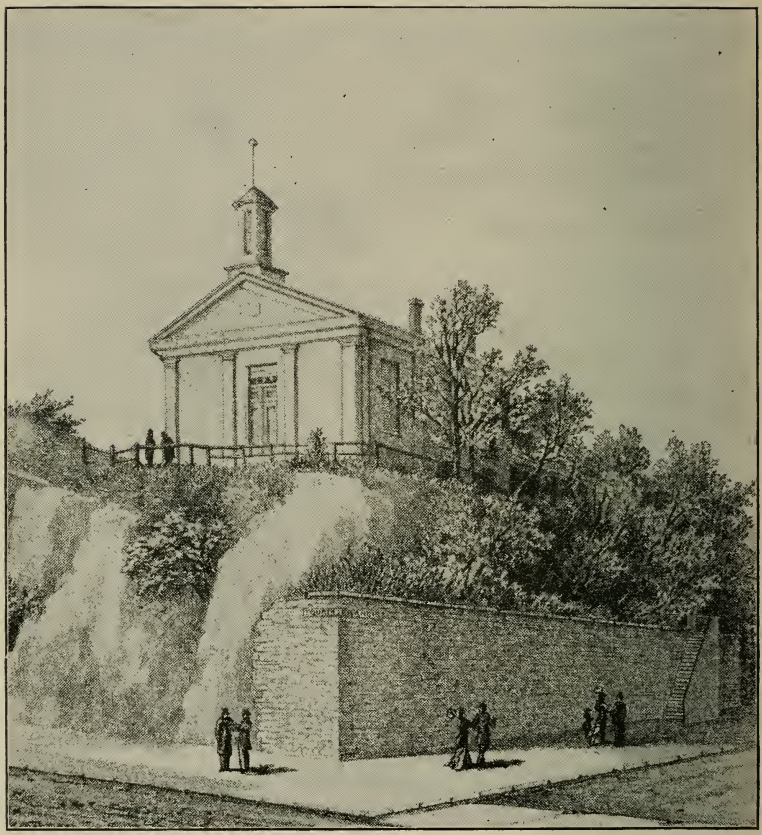
Rev. Robert D. Morrow, D. D., was the young man whom the Women's Missionary Society of Kentucky sent as missionary to the Territory of Missouri in 1817 or 1818. No particulars can be given of his missionary work in all this region, but he was a very logical, virile and wonderfully effective preacher. In 1850, he was elected President of Chapel Hill College, an institution previously founded by A. W. Ridings (who had been a student in Chapel Hill College, in North Carolina) and legally transferred to the Missouri Synod (C. P.). He was a very clear theologian, and many young men were trained in theology by him, both before and during his connection with the College.

None of the early pioneers has left a more notable mark than the Hon. George S. Park. Born in rugged Vermont, near Grafton, October 22, 1811, a farmer boy, with limited educational advantages, at fifteen he start-

ed for the West, walking all the way from Saratoga Springs to Central Ohio. After teaching school there for a year, he went to Illinois on a pony purchased by his earnings, and later entered College at Jacksonville. His eyes giving out for study during his Junior year, he had to leave. While teaching in Calloway Co., Mo., in 1833-4, he was converted under the ministry of the sainted Dr. David Nelson, and made public profession of his faith in the Presbyterian church.

He was one of the first to volunteer his services to the young Republic of Texas under Gen. Houston, and was in the battle of San Antonio de Bexar in 1836. But he led a "charmed life" for the Lord had high service in store for him in the future. He was sent from the Alamo the day before its fatal investment as a messenger to the army of the North at Goliad. After its honorable surrender he was among the 330 doomed prisioners, stripped to their shirts and trousers, treacherously marched out in divisions, drawn out in line on the bank of the Coleto River, and mercilessly shot down, by the orders of Santa Ana. With two others he dropped at the flash, and lying quietly till the firing was over, he plunged into the river and swam across amid the foam of a tempest of bullets. After weeks of night travel he reached the settlements in the extreme north, torn, bleeding and almost naked. In 1837 he took a claim at the mouth of the Platte River, returned to Vermont, and selling his small patrimony there, brought a stock of goods from New York City, purchased the site of Parkville and opened a store. He soon became the leading business man of the community. He laid out Parkville in 1844, and in 1854 erected the stone hotel which became the home of Park College in 1875. A volume would be needed to give the details of his most enterprising, troublous and successful career, but some notice of his important religious and educational activities will be found elsewhere.

Far-sighted and untiringly energetic in business; courteous, quiet and unassuming in manners; considerate and thoughtful of others' comfort; forgiving to-



wards those who had sought his very life; ever planning and working for the temporal and eternal good of others; and as firm and immovable in standing for the right, as the massive block of Vermont marble that marks his resting place, Mr. Park exerted an influence for good that cannot be measured.

Rev. Daniel Patton was of Irish extraction and was converted when seventeen, in Middle Tennessee. He was sent with Rev. R. D. King as missionary into North Alabama. He came to Ray county before Richmond was laid out, and married a daughter of Rev. Samuel King. He was long the Stated Clerk of Barnett Presbytery. He was a strong and successful preacher in his day. He died almost at the close of his ninety-fifth year, full of honors, labors and successes in the Master's work.

Rev. Tapping S. Reeve was born in Holland, Mass., October 5, 1808, and after a large experience and training as S. S. missionary, teacher and lawyer, was ordained by the Presbytery of St. Louis, October 20, 1843, and came at once to St. Joseph. The first sermon ever preached there was by him and he built the first Presbyterian church of logs, a cut of the successor of which appears on the opposite page. He was very active in evangelistic and educational lines. He was moderator of the Synod of Missouri (N. S.) in 1852. He died July 16, 1886.

Elder Andrew Robertson came to Clay county at an early day and settled four miles north of Liberty where he owned a large tract of land and a considerable family of negro servants—forty or fifty in number—whom he furnished with wagons and teams, furniture and bedding, and clothing and provisions, and sent them away to Kansas and freedom, in the midst of the Civil War. He was a very liberal man with his money and a very useful ruling elder, mainly furnishing the means to build the church and maintain the ordinances of

religion in the church (Bethlehem) of which he was a member and an elder. He was an uncle of the heavenly-minded and much-loved Rev. Hugh Robertson Smith, so well known and greatly honored among us.

Rev. Edmund Wright, son of Ichabod Wright and Mary Clapp, was born in Easthampton, Mass., July 1, 1808. He graduated from Williams College in 1836, and studied theology at East Windsor, Conn. The following is from a report to his college classmates:

"I was city missionary in St. Louis, Mo., from 1839 to April 1841, during which time I visited forty counties in Missouri and preached a few months to the Presbyterian church in Palmyra. In 1842 I became missionary and pastor at Weston, near Ft. Leavenworth, remaining until November, 1849. I then returned to St. Louis and became pastor of the Spruce Street Church until May, 1856. A month later I became agent for the American Tract Society, and continued in that service over two and a half years. I rested, on account of ill health, till May, 1863, when I became agent for the American Bible Society, for Missouri."

After twenty-five years of service he resigned. In his closing Report to the American Bible Society, he said: "I collected during the twenty-five years of service $32,891.31, and the amount of my sales was $135,488.36. In retiring from the service of the Society, its noble aims and world-wide work seems doubly dear." He had traveled 24,467 miles on official duty. He was then eighty years old, but full of strength and vigor. He was married in August, 1842, to Miss Achsah Fidelia Hurd of Bridgeport, Vt., who survives him, and is still, as always, abundant in good works. After retiring he made his home with his only surviving child, Mrs. Anna Bullard Whitney, of Seattle, till called to higher service in August, 1901. "His was a most symmetrical character, worthy of emulation."

Rev. John Lapsley Yantis, D. D., born in Kentucky in 1804, came to Missouri in 1833. He labored in Clay

county till 1835, and again in 1838-9. His most notable work in our territory was as President of Richmond College. He was a remarkable man, as is seen in the sketch of him in Dr. John B. Hill's History of Kansas City Presbytery. "His work as an evangelist and minister has made a lasting impression upon thousands, and he was not only a pioneer, but one of the fathers of Presbyterianism in Western Missouri."

Rev. John N. Young came to Missouri in 1855, and did much pioneer work. A co-presbyter writes as follows:

"The ministry of Rev. John N. Young in Northwest Missouri in connection with the Presbytery of Upper Missouri, fell in troublous times. In such times he illustrated the Scriptural ideal of the ministry as "an example in all things." Not only was he faithful and devoted in the religious duties of the preacher, but so wise, couragous and decided in political matters that he was elected to the State Senate. When those duties were done he returned to the care of the churches until advancing age released him from such responsibilities."

German Work.

As a matter of history something should be said of the work done by Presbyterians among our German population. Time has not permitted an exhaustive investigation, so that what is given covers only the early years, and was mostly connected with Lexington Presbytery.

Conrad Henry Heckman was born December 3, 1811, at Bessendorf, Germany, was educated at Rotterdam, and was ordained by Lexington Presbytery in 1849, when he was working at Weston. He is reported at Brunswick in 1851, and in 1852 he preached also at a point ten miles from Carrollton. In 1853 he removed to the Line Creek Church, near Parkville, which had a log church and land valued at $260. He preached there twice a month, once at Weston and once at Westport. It is distinctly stated in the Records, for 1853, in this connection, that the above named churches were "not in regular Presbyterial connection." In 1856, St. John appears as one of his churches with twenty-nine members. Nothing can be told of its location unless it was in Andrew county where there is now a German Reformed St. Johns Church, which is not probable. The last report of Mr. Heckman's work, in the Minutes for 1859, gives St. Johns twenty-nine members; Weston, twenty-five; Westport, twenty-three, and Independence, eleven, but as the report was starred, it referred to an earlier date. April 4, 1861, he was received by Platte Presbytery (O. S.) from Lexington Presbytery.

April 4, 1861, Platte Presbytery (O. S.) received under its care a German church in St. Joseph, and at the same time received and enrolled its acting pastor, Rev. F. W. Steffens. This church was stricken from the roll, April 11, 1863.

Platte Presbytery (U. S. A.).

The beginning of its history is found on the first and second pages, and Dr. Sherwood continues:

There were at this time the following ministers and churches in the counties which constituted the Presbytery of Platte by this act of Synod.

Ministers:—Elijah A. Carson, Timothy Morgan, Wm. Reed, John N. Young, Nelson H. Smith, Elisha B. Sherwood, John Moore, D. D., Joel Kennedy, Matthew L. Anderson, Samuel Sawyer, Henry Bullard, C. W. Higgins, J. M. Green, Wm. H. Cummings, J. M. Morrison, Wm. H. Gill, J. D. Beard and J. M. Crawford—18.

Churches:—Savannah, Mt. Zion, Sixth Street St. Joseph, Fillmore, Oregon, Paint Lick, Salem, Union, Lathrop, Grand View, Hamilton, Mirabile, Albany, Carrollton, Dawn, Fairview, Forest City, Willow Brook, Graham, Platte City, Weston, Breckenridge, Chillicothe, Osborn, Westminster, St. Joseph, Easton, Maryville, Phelp's City, Oak Grove, New York Settlement, Crooked River and Wheeling—32.

This Presbytery thus constituted, was ordered "to meet in the Sixth Street church of St. Joseph, on the 21st day of July, 1870, at 7:30 p. m. The Rev. John Moore, D. D., or in his absence, the oldest minister present to preside until the election of moderator;

And furthermore, the Presbytery of Platte is hereby declared to be the proper and legal successor of the Presbyteries of Upper Missouri and Lexington, and as such entitled to all the rights and franchise and posessions, and liable for the performance of all the duties, of those Presbyteries."

On the 21st of July 1870, the Presbytery of Platte, as constituted by the Synod of Missouri, in obedience to order of General Assembly convened in the Sixth Street Presbyterian church at 7:30 p. m. In the absence of the Rev. John M. Moore, D. D., who was ap-

pointed to open the Presbytery, Rev. E. B. Sherwood, the oldest minister present called the Presbytery to order, and having read the authority by which they had assembled, called on the Rev. John N. Young to open the meeting with prayer, after which the Rev. E. B. Sherwood preached a sermon, founded upon Rom. 4:20, 21: "He staggered not at the promises of God through unbelief: but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; and being fully persuaded that what he had promised he was able also to perform." After sermon he formally constituted the Presbytery of Platte with prayer. The Rev. W. H. Gill was then chosen clerk protem. The roll of members present was then made and the following answered to their names:

Ministers:—John N. Young, Nelson H. Smith, E. B. Sherwood, Henry Bullard, Joel Kennedy, Matthew L. Anderson, J. M. Crawford and Wm. H. Gill.

Elders:—John Colhoun of Sixth Street Presbyterian church.

The Presbytery as its first act resolved to spend the first half hour of every session in prayer, after which it adjourned until the next morning at 9 o'clock, closing with prayer.

The Presbytery met according to adjournment at 9 o'clock on the 22nd of July. The roll was called, and the following additional elders reported: Peter Fisher from the church at Cameron and John DeClue from Westminster church, St. Joseph. After half an hour spent in prayer, the Presbytery proceeded to the election of officers. Rev. W. H. Gill was chosen moderator and Rev. Henry Bullard stated clerk. Committees were filled and Platte Presbytery entered upon the work assigned her in the 19 counties of Northwestern Missouri."

The history of the churches has already been given, and a brief sketch of many of the ministers appears in the Ministerial Register so but little more need be said. Some special notice of those who have been markedly helpful in developing the churches, in bringing them to

self-support, and in giving to Platte Presbytery the position it came to occupy, will be given farther on.

The union and reunion with the Cumberland Church was hailed with delight by the Presbytery, though it necessarily involved to many the sundering of long-cherished ties and associations, very precious in themselves. The healing of the breaches of Zion by the formal union of those already one in all things except the name, was heartily welcomed. The evangelistic zeal of the Cumberland brethren which led them to the position (or offence, if we prefer so to call it) of giving, among the required qualifications for the ministry, the classical training a second place to a divinely implanted desire and fitness for soul-winning, had long since won the sympathy of earnest workers, and led them to forgive the offence. And the disillusionment of the majority of the Cumberland brethren as to the truth and propriety of the claim of the Primitive Baptists, with their fatalism and opposition to all forms of Christian activity, to be the representatives and exponents of Calvinism (which led so many to justly abhor the very word Calvinism) had prepared the way, on their part, for the reunion.

That such a large proportion of the Cumberland churches were in the country and so many of them necessarily weak financially and in numbers, was to many a welcome fact, because from them come the most of our ministers, and in them very many of those who afterwards become leading and most efficient officers in the larger churches, find the opportunity and necessity of learning church work by practice. Also, if the country churches are well cared for, the town churches of which they are the feeders will take care of themselves; neglect of the outlying districts being a suicidal policy for any Church, as well as disloyalty to the Master and a lack of true Christian patriotism.

The earlier appreciation of our Cumberland brethren of both the Scripturalness and wisdom of utilizing the talents and zeal of the gentler sex for more leading and public service than was customary formerly, is something in which they may justly take pride.

The following is a list of the Moderators and Stated Clerks of Platte Presbytery:

Moderators of Presbytery.

July	1870	Wm. H. Gill.
April	1871	J. M. Crawford.
September	1871	Jno. A. Pinkerton.
April	1872	M. L. Anderson.
September	1872	Robt. Cruikshank.
April	1873	Duncan McRuer.
September	1873	Joel Kennedy.
April	1874	Jno. H. France.
September	1874	John Gillespie.
April	1875	Jno. S. McClung.
September	1875	Jno. D. Beard.
April	1876	Duncan McRuer.
September	1876	Luther Dodd.
April	1877	Jno. A. Pinkerton.
September	1877	Wm. G. Keady.
April	1877	Geo. A. McKinlay.
September	1878	Geo. Miller.
April	1879	Duncan Brown.
September	1879	F. G. Strange.
April	1880	E. B. Sherwood.
September	1880	A. D. Workman.
April	1881	W. C. Smith.
September	1881	Duncan McRuer.
April	1882	W. D. Patton.
September	1882	T. D. Roberts.
April	1883	Wm. Meyer.
September	1883	B. D. Luther.
April	1884	A. B. Goodale.
September	1884	F. E. Thompson.
April	1885	Carson Reed.
August	1885	James Reed.
March	1886	E. P. Foster.
August	1886	H. M. Rogers.

March 1887.....Willis Weaver.
September 1887.....W. A. Cravens.
March 1888.....Carson Reed.
September 1888.....James Kirkwood.
March 1889.....W. A. Cravens.
September 1889.....H. M. Sydenstriker.
March 1890.....S. L. McAfee.
September 1890.....W. R. McElroy.
March 1891.....T. D. Roberts.
September 1891.....A. M. Reynolds.
March 1892.....James Reed.
September 1892.....C. McCain.
April 1893.....H. A. Sawyers.
September 1893.....E. B. Sherwood.
April 1894.....T. D. Roberts.
September 1894.....George Miller.
April 1895.....John Wilson.
September 1895.....S. L. McAfee.
April 1896.....Duncan Brown.
September 1896.....E. W. Symonds.
April 1897.....A. W. McGlothlan.
September 1897.....J. G. Gilkerson.
April 1898.....Jas. P. Green.
September 1898.....Geo. Miller.
April 1899.....A. D. Wolfe.
September 1899.....W. A. Cravens.
April 1900.....G. H. Williamson.
September 1900.....W. E. Caldwell.
April 1901.....E. H. Bull.
September 1901.....S. M. Ware.
April 1902.....J. H. Shields.
September 1902.....Duncan Brown.
April 1903.....C. P. Blayney.
September 1903.....C. E. Kircher.
April 1904.....W. I. Doole.
September 1904.....J. H. Hatfield.

April 1905.....H. N. Bullard.
September 1905.....Jno. T. Curtis.
April 1906.....James McFarland.
September 1906.....Silas Evans.
April 1907.....U. G. Schell.

Stated Clerks of Presbytery.

July 1870.....Henry Bullard.
April 1880.....E. B. Sherwood.
April 1883.....T. D. Roberts.
September 1890.....W. H. Clark.
September 1899.....A. W. McGlothlan.

By the action of the General Assembly in session at Columbus, O., May 23, 1907, Platte Presbytery ceased at 10 A. M., June 18, 1907, to have an ecclesiastical and legal existence. Clay, Platte and Ray counties were attached to Kansas City Presbytery; Grundy and Mercer, to Kirksville; Caldwell, Carroll, Daviess and Livingston, to McGee; and the remaining ten counties constituted St. Joseph Presbytery.

Notices, like comparisons, may be considered "invidious," but the impossibility of noticing all of the many worthy of special commendation should not forbid the recognition of some of them.

Something should be said of Elder William K. Adams, still a vigorous worker. Though the most of his work has been done in St. Joseph, he has belonged to the Presbytery in a special sense. As a business man he has long held a high position as head, in St. Joseph, of the freight department of the Burlington System, with hundreds of men under his control, and has the confidence and esteem of every one. But he stands highest as a most consecrated and wise Christian worker. Indefatigably active, he has been prominent in the missionary enterprises of the Westminster Church, es-

pecially as an acceptable and greatly blessed lay preacher. Years ago some of his friends urged him to seek ordination. Consulting his pastor he was told: "Multitudes of men who run shy of an ordained preacher and whom I cannot reach, will listen to you. If you are ordained they will soon become shy of you." He saw the wisdom of the suggestion and acted accordingly. "As a business man and a lay preacher of the gospel, he exemplifies the possibility of happily combining both."

The Nestor of Platte Presbytery (U. S. A.), the beloved pastor for over forty years of the Westminster Church, cannot be passed by entirely. Full of loving sympathy for the "common people," winsomely genial, and deeply spiritual, his life has been a power and a benediction to multitudes. The striking fact, that after being the pastor for twenty-five years he was able to "recollect only one instance when the Session, after full discussion, voted contrary to his expressed wish," attests both his tact and wisdom. The following tributes are from men qualified to judge:

"The Rev. Henry Bullard has exemplified two elements of character which spring from inherited moulding—one, a sweet Christian spirit, charity and generosity; the other, the inclination to succeed by individual initiative in vigorous efforts for the spread of the kingdom of God and for civic righteousness, taking his stand wherever there is need of the best efforts of men of ability, persistency and high character."

"A man of great purity of character; of earnest devotion to his sacred calling; as a preacher unusually well read in current events, and therefore very practical in his pulpit utterances—dealing largely with matters of today. Few pastors are as greatly loved by their people, this because he is so approachable at all times and by all classes, and so sympathetic and helpful in his delightful companionship. While he has never considered himself a revivalist in the modern

acceptation of that word, few ministers of the Evangel have made more positive and lasting impressions for good on those who have been his listeners."

The Rev. John A. McAfee was for fifteen years one of the most prominent and influential members of Platte Presbytery, though never its Moderator, always declining such honors. His active mind, though intensely occupied with his work as President of Park College, busied itself with the condition of the churches, and his consuming zeal for the upbuilding of the Master's kingdom, and his high ideals of Christian service made him a leader in every advance movement.

As Chairman for several years of the Presbytery's Permanent Committee on Home Missions, Prof. Samuel L. McAfee rendered invaluable service. His extensive acquaintance in the ministry peculiarly fitted him to aid in securing desirable supplies for the vacant churches. His Sabbaths were very largely given to visiting and supplying destitute churches.

Revs. James Reed and Thos. D. Roberts stand preeminent in giving many years of faithful, self-denying service, largely among the feebler and thus more needy churches. The former has been in Missouri since 1870, and all but ten years of the time, in Platte Presbytery. The whole ministerial life of the latter, beginning in April, 1876, has been spent in Platte Presbytery.

In 1865, Rev. Elisha B. Sherwood came to this section as Presbyterial Missionary. A stalwart physically, and filled with unquenchable zeal, he did a great work in Northern Missouri, organizing thirty-three Presbyterian churches, some of them east of our bounds, and reaching his ninety-sixth year. The details of his life work are quite fully given in his very interesting Autobiography, "Fifty Years on the Skirmish Line."

After a successful pastorate at Lathrop, Rev. John Wilson served Presbytery most efficiently as Pastor-at-Large for over four years. He not only supplied the vacant churches as far as possible, assisting the feeble and heartening the discouraged, but looked after the property interests of the Presbytery, arranging for the removal of one building and the sale of others. He did much towards bringing the weaker churches up to self-support and greater self-denying activity.

EDUCATIONAL WORK.

At this day the High Schools in all our larger towns have greatly reduced the demand for Academies and Seminaries, and the State Universities have so affected the attendance at the smaller colleges that many of them have been forced to give up. But even a passing glance at the work of our earlier Presbyterian ministers, will show that a very large part of it was educational. They were true to the traditions of the Presbyterian Church in exalting education to its proper place. Some notice, often meager and painfully indefinite, will here be given of some of the Presbyterian institutions of higher learning, present and past, in our territory.

Avalon College was taken over from the United Brethren in 1888-9, Rev. Wm. C. McCune, the first president, being very active in the movement. After several years of struggle it was taken under the care of Platte Presbytery as an academy and put in charge of Rev. Austin D. Wolfe. This institution did a good work, but the lack of a financial basis finally necessitated its abandonment.

The Grand River College (doubtless only an academy) four or five miles from Trenton, was quite a school in 1851, having several teachers, two of whom were Presbyterians. In 1853 the pastor of the Trenton Presbyterian Church preached there one Sabbath each month. So we feel warranted in concluding that it was largely, if not wholly, a Presbyterian institution.

Prof. Anthony Haynes wrote from Excelsior Springs, Aug. 31, 1908: "My school, 'Haynes Academy,' was founded by me in 1896 and continued ten years. It was a Christian school and a great body of my old students have become Christians. The school prepared students for the University. My old students

hold places of influence in different parts of the United States. I owned the school property. Owing to bad health I have been compelled to give up my school work."

While Park College is non-sectarian, it is a distinctly Presbyterian institution, and is entitled to a somewhat extended notice here.

At least as early as in 1851, the Hon. George S. Park had in mind what eventually became Park College. Lexington Presbytery, then in session at Keatsville (now Keytesville?) took the following action April 25, 1851: "Resolved: That Presbytery have received with high gratification from Mr. G. S. Park, an elder of the Presbyterian Church in Parkville, a proposition for establishing a school of high order, or a college, in that town, to be placed under the care and patronage of this Presbytery, and that we highly appreciate the liberality and enterprise of our brother in the matter; Resolved, that a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to mature a plan for an institution, and for receiving into proper care the donation proposed by the said G. S. Park." The whole matter was repeatedly and carefully considered by Presbytery, which on May 3, 1853, said; "Whereas the Presbytery in their corporate capacity cannot either so rapidly or satisfactorily carry forward this enterprise as a single, well qualified individual, therefore Resolved: That this Presbytery appreciate the noble and philanthropic motives which prompted Esq. Park to make this liberal donation; that they return to him their hearty thanks for his confidence in their ability and integrity; and that he saw fit to confide to them the organization and the subsequent control of the institution; Resolved, 2nd, That this Presbytery hereby return to Esq. Park his magnificent donation, provided he assume all the responsibility assumed by the Trustees, hoping and praying that success may attend his plans and exertions; Resolved, 3rd, The Presbytery also holds itself in readiness again to receive under its care,

the contemplated institution, if Esq. Park shall choose, at a future time, again to commit it to our hands."

The disturbed political condition of this special section of the country which soon followed and continued until, during the Civil War, Parkville was badly wrecked, suspended further action for many years. Then Rev. E. B. Sherwood became an ally with Mr. Park in his plans, and finally brought him and Rev. John A. McAfee together. The result was the establishment of an institution for "The Training of Christian Workers," of both sexes and for any and every line of Christian service; Mr. Park contributing much financially, and Mr. McAfee much towards its character and success. It was opened in 1875, and chartered as Park College in 1879. One marked feature of Park College was that it gave a large place to the study of God's Word, which every student was expected to read through in course, once every year. The charter says: "There shall be daily Bible readings and expositions." Every student was required to attend daily worship as well as the regular Sabbath services, including the Sabbath school. All who yielded themselves to the religious influences thrown around them, gained a Christian experience, unless they had it before coming. Those who resisted these influences did not, as a rule, remain long. None were employed as instructors or helpers who were not in sympathy with the highest ideals of Christian life.

The other most marked distinctive feature of Park College is the "Family" arrangement. Park College is the outgrowth of "Park College Family," a very peculiar institution (if we may so call it), which is so closely connected with Dr. John A. McAfee, its founder, that it can best be understood through his history. His father's crippled financial condition in consequence of his investments in Marion College (in sight of which Dr. McAfee was born) so noted in its time as an intended self-supporting industrial institution, compelled him to secure a full classical education, by his own un-

aided efforts, after he had reached his majority. That struggle qualified him to sympathize with the many youth financially unable to secure an education and he felt called of God to give his life to opening a way for such to obtain a college education and training. He gave himself to teaching, and from the first began to carry out his idea by taking into his own family and giving a home to one or more young men, for whom he could find something to do which would enable them to accept the help given without forfeiting their own self-respect. He sought to induce others to aid in carrying out his ideas, with but limited success, for most considered them visionary. In 1870, at Highland, Kans., he began work on a larger scale, gathering under his own roof about thirty young people for whom he provided regular work of some kind. He there perfected, in its practical details, the development of the "family" idea. This was the reception of worthy but poor youth of both sexes into all the privileges and duties of a Christian home, under loving watch-care and full parental control. Financial aid from without supplemented what they could do towards their own self-support.

In 1875 he accepted the invitation of Hon. George S. Park to remove his "Family" (later known as "Park College Family") and work to Parkville. He and his life companion (specially fitted for, and called like himself to this work) were the united head of this "Family." In it a care and responsibility for each other's welfare in all respects, were inculcated and practiced. The recent expulsion of two unworthy men by the fellow students of their dormitory, with the knowledge and approval of the President, is a natural sequence of the brotherly responsibility ever laid upon all, and acknowledged by the majority. As the institution has prospered, the occasion and opportunity for every kind of farm work, for quarrying, stone cutting, building, repairing, printing, baking and every kind of work connected with and needed in a family of some hundreds, have arisen and made "all-around" men.

Habits of industry, punctuality and unflinching fidelity regardless of weather and hardship, have been formed. Ambition to excel in their assigned work, and thus to be intrusted with greater responsibility, is cultivated. The guying which the student, careless or stupid about his work, receives from his fellows, is good discipline. Faithful work is recognized as the highest manliness.

But not alone or chiefly to the invaluable discipline and experience gained in the "Family"—the Self-Help Department—is to be credited the recognized fitness and readiness of Park College graduates for self-denying service. President McAfee's high ideals of consecration and service, backed by the inspiration which his life and personal influence gave, largely reproduced in them his own character. He ever insisted that the deepest need, not any possible personal considerations, was the loudest call to the Christian worker. The sympathy ever shown, even in sharing his scanty wardrobe with destitute students, gave his teachings a firmer grip. The wonderful growth of the work during the fifteen years of his presidency was the result of his indomitable energy and exhausting self-denial. After spending the day, in our Eastern cities, in the most wearisome and trying work of soliciting for a greatly misunderstood cause, he would utilize his time by riding all night, never taking a sleeper, because of the expense. Thus he did thirty years' work in fifteen years.

Making no individual mention of the more than a hundred alumni who have done more or less of ordinary home mission work, often helping with their own hands in building churches and manses, and often bringing their churches up to self-support, the effectiveness of the religious influence in Park College is partially indicated by the following list of those who have engaged, for a shorter or longer period, in what may be called distinctively "missionary" work, in all lines and under various auspices—chiefly the Home

and Foreign Boards of the Presbyterian Church. This includes a few non-graduates. The exact location of the workers is not given, but they are classified according to their field; as those among our American Highlanders in the Appalachian regions; among the Indians, Alaska excepted; among the Spanish-speaking Americans; and in Mormondom. Only the date of graduation is given.

Africa.

Frank D. P. Hickman, '92; Wm. M. Dager, '96; Sarah Shaw-Dager, '97; James M. Cunningham and Minnie M. Murray-Cunningham, '98; Ethelbert B. Kalb-Weber, '00; Frank O. Emerson, and John Wright, '03; Una Van Alen-Wright, '06; and Albert G. Adams.

Alaska.

Christiana Baker-Taylor, '88; Nellie M. Taylor, '96; Alex. Pringle, '97; Eva W. Culp-Thompson, John L. Myers, M. D., Mayme Pryor-Waggoner, David Waggoner, and Florence A. Young-Myers, '01; Arch. Law, 02; Fred Chase and Christina Duncan-Holt, '04; Leonora Dawson, Maron J. MacLean and Laura D. Oakes-Brown, 05; Fay Langelier-Mitchell and Bertram G. Mitchell, '06; and Jeanette H. Wright, '07.

American-Spanish.

Mary B. Higgins-Scott and Jennie L. Kipp-Carrico, '80; Agnes M. Dilley-Wootan, '88; Jos. J. Perdomo, '93; Henrietta Caskey-Bible, '00; Laura C. Stapleton-Cole, '06; Lou Luthy-O'Conner and Eva Whissile-Stevenson.

Appalachians.

Sadie V. Armstrong-Bridges, '91; Nina Robinson, '92; Sarah G. Street-Heydenburk, '96; Ella Whittemore-Gamble, '97; Edith Flagler, M. Luther Girton, and Bessie Venard-Abbe, '00; Ina F. Deaderick. '06; G. Gracia Beeney-Thomas and Rose Lessley-Beeney, '02; Eliz. B. Blair-Flack, '03; Nellie C. Adams, Margaret Hughes-McClusky, Alice L. Johnston, Anna L.

Marsh-Deitz, Dorcas M. Robinson, Ethel J. Stauffer-Phillips and Esther V. Walline, '04; Margarette I. Ballantyne-Calfee and John E. Calfee, '05; Zora M. Wilson-McManis, '06; Elsie M. Pollock, '07; Margaret Wilson, '08; and Maude Evans-Rich.

Bohemia.

John Skerik, '93.

Bulgaria.

Stephen Momchiloff, '93.

Chili.

Webster E. Browning, '91; Hallie Riley-Browning, '94; Geo. M. McBride and Robert W. Newman, '95; Martha V. Fulton-Gloeckner and Jesse S. Smith, '00; Bessie M. Chambers-Smith and Alexia Duncan-Coronel, '01; and Chas. E. Wells, '03.

China.

Lulu H. Boyd-Chalfant, '86; Eleanor Chesnut, M. D. and John N. Young, '88; E. Elva Fleming, M. D., '93; Frank W. Bible, Chas. H. Derr and Paul P. Faris, '01; Margaret Faris, '03 and R. Paul Montgomery, '04.

Egypt.

Annie E. Henderson-McFarland, '88.

Freedmen.

Mary J. Coffland-Berg, '89; and Mary McCarle, '98.

Hawaii.

Robert A. Buchanan, '01; Ernest H. Wilson, '02; Chas. E. Flack, '04; Harlan M. Roberts, '05; Beatrice S. Harbaugh and Pansy G. Roberts, '08; and Jos. F. Durao.

India.

Jessie F. Bell-Holt, M. D., '80; Walter J. Clark, '88; Victoria E. McArthur, M. D., '94; and Caroline R. Clark, '95.

Indians.

M. Anna Dolley-Wynkoop, '81; Jasper J. Crosswhite and A. Maude Levagood-Brown, '82; Mary A. Lane and Eliz. J. Templeton, '88; Clara B. Hastings-Henderson, Jeannie M. McRuer-Mathes, Agnes L. Reed-Pliter and Harvey M. Shields, 89; Frazier S. Herndon and Elsie M. Prugh-Herndon, '93; Margaret Morris-Edgar, '94; Fred V. Richards, '95; Alfred C. Edgar, '97; Chas. H. Bierkemper, '98; Dorothy B. Venard, '99; Louise Herndon and Frank McAfee, '02; Bertha Darby-Williamson, '03; Wilbur J. McManis, '05; Irene Bernheim and Harry S. Phillips, '06; Lloyd C. Goff, '07; Fern Dilley, Florence E. Dilley, Sophia Ostermeier, Wm. L. Palmer, Amanda A. Runquest and Aubrey Seth Thornton.

Japan.

Mary M. Palmer-Gorbold, '84; Wm. Y. Jones, '92; Harvey Brokaw, '93; Isabella M. Ward, 01; Sol D. Light, '08; and Olivia B. Forster-Brokaw.

Korea.

Mary A. Barrett, Margaret Best and Mary E. Hayden-Gifford, '88; Susan A. Doty-Miller, '89; Helen B. McAfee-McCune, '92; Emily L. Hartman-Johnson and Walter V. Johnson, '98; Mary R. Armstrong, '99; Herbert E. Blair and Geo. S. McCune, '01; Walter C. Purviance, M. D., '02; J. Gordon Holdcroft, '03; Katherine McCune and Cyril Ross, '06; and Lulu Byram-Purviance.

Mexico.

Effie J. Miller-Bryce, '80; Katherine Herndon-Cheavens, '94.

Mormondom.

Mary A. Dayton-Krigbaum, Chas. J. Godsman and Anna B. Palmer, '82; Anna F. Handley-Keach and Lucy H. Hindman-McAfee, '84; Anna F. Hulburd-McCuish and Margie Stoner-Best, '87; Vernie E. Jones-Merton

and Viola E. Wynne-Smith, '88; Lutie A. Christian-Thomas, '89; Emily McCarty-Bertelsen, '90; F. Frances Shimp-Moore, '91; Ida D. Stump-Gray, '92; A. Augusta Elliott-Romig, '95; Chas. F. Romig, '96; Harriet E. Elliott and Aurelia Hansen-Liberios, '97; Lizzie M. Dienst-Ayres, Charlotte Kyle and Mae Alice Kyle, '99; Anna L. Doggett, Chas. H. Hamilton, Edith Hughes, and Lottie E. Stevenson, '00; Hettie D. Hotchkin-McIntyre, C. Curtis McIntyre, Ulna Pryor-Troxell and Kate B. Taylor, 01; Agnes Lasley-Newell and Vergie M. Lasley, '03; Eiler J. Freece and H. Peter Freece, '04; Alice I. Reed, '05; J. Mabel Wells, '07; Minnie M. Huckett and Edythe Wells, '08; Mary Bremner and Inza R. Montgomery, '09; Grace D. Hamilton-Hamilton, and Elizabeth Kyle.

Persia.

Margaret A. Demuth-Schermerhorn, '92; Edith D. Lamme, '00; and Geo. D. Prentice, '09.

Philippines.

Roy H. Brown and Harry L. Finlay, '00; Nellie McA. Pollock-Brown, '01; Theresa M. Kalb, '03; and Geo. T. Shoens.

Porto Rico.

Elie S. Lheureux, '91; J. Will Harris and Eunice E. White-Harris, '02; Effie M. Copeland, A. Victoria McArthur and Arnold Smith, '03; Lydia Lheureux, '05; Cornelia L. White, '09; and Frank O. Gloeckner.

Siam.

Mary J. Henderson-McClure and Hugh Taylor, '85; Robert Irwin and Dora B. Martin-Taylor, '87; Elsie J. Bates-Kellett, '89; Annabelle King-Briggs, '92; Howard L. Cornell, '97; Harry P. Armstrong and Marion B. Palmer, '98; May E. McClusky-Palmer, '99; Florence B. Bingham-Crooks and Alice Richards-Armstrong, '00; Chas. H. Crooks, M. D., '01; Lyle J. Beebe, '04; Eula Van Vranken, '05; Albert J. Caldwell, Sylvia M. Harbaugh-Caldwell and Edward M. Spilman, '09.

Ida Grace McClung, '91, valedictorian of her class, would have been in this list if her life had been spared.

More space for Park College cannot reasonably be asked, so we must not speak at length of the very efficient President, Lowell M. McAfee, LL. D.—eldest son and successor of the first President—or of the able Faculty, but we beg leave to say that to Prof. Arthur L. Wolfe, more than to any other man now living, is owing the missionary spirit indicated above. For many years he has devoted much time and attention to Mission Study Classes.

The Platte School (which ranks as an Academy) at Edgerton, was established by Platte Presbytery (C. P.) and is under a Board of nine Trustees. Its high aim is "the promulgation of Christian learning." It has a large field from which to draw students, and is prospering under its popular President, Rev. D. M. Boyer.

Of Richmond College, which flourished in the fifties, we have obtained no information in response to repeated inquiries.

In Sept., 1863, Rev. W. O. H. Perry opened "The Stewartsville Male and Female Seminary," in a building erected by Prof. A. E. Summers three years before. For three years he did all the teaching himself, after which additional teachers were required. The school had so grown in numbers and popularity that in the spring of 1879 it was chartered, with Mr. Perry as President, and the building was enlarged to more than double its former capacity. Soon after a dormitory for young men was erected, also a two-story building for young ladies, in which one of the professors lived and had oversight of those who roomed and boarded there. On the 5th of Nov., 1886, the main building (frame) was totally destroyed by fire. It was never rebuilt but the College work went on till the next Commencement, June, 1887.

All that is known of the Sugar-tree Grove Academy is found on page 6.

"Tarkio Valley College and Normal Institute" was organized, as a private institution, Aug. 30, 1883, and was chartered as Tarkio College, Jan. 31, 1885, under thirteen Directors, three of whom are chosen by the Board itself and ten by the Synods of Iowa and Nebraska. Rev. Samuel C. Marshall, D. D., organized the institution and was President till failure of health compelled his resignation in June, 1887. Rev. J. A. Thompson, D. D., the present very popular and successful President, has served continuously since June, 1887.

The fact that the College is an institution of the United Presbyterian Church gives ample assurance of its positive Christian character and high aims. From the catalogue of 1907, we learn that forty-one of its graduates were then either preaching or studying theology, not including the following whose fields of missionary labor are given below:

Egypt.

Minnehaha Finney and Myrtle Wilson, '91; Grace Gowdy-Finley and Wm. L. McClenahan, '92; Robert S. McClenahan, '93; Chas. A. Wilson, '95; Margaret A. Bell, '96; Helen J. Ferrier, '98; Alda B. Atchison, '01; Anna B. Criswell, Roberta F. Gibson and Mary M. Pattison, '04.

India.

Laurella G. Dickson, Wm. E. Nicoll and Wm. L. Porter, '96; Clara Dickson-Nicoll, '97; Everett E. Campbell, '00; and John A. McArthur, 01.

The Soudan.

Ralph W. Tidrick, '06.

Turkey.

Laurence S. Moore, '01.

One who has done much financially for Tarkio College, says; "Of course the College owes its existence and its prosperity to the liberality of Hon. David Rankin."

MINISTERIAL REGISTER.

This very incomplete ministerial register embraces not only members of the Platte Presbytery, but also others for whom we have the requisite data. Dr. John B. Hill's History of Kansas City Presbytery and Dr. Edgar S. Robinson's Ministerial Directory have been consulted and freely used.

In these brief ministerial sketches no notice has, in many cases, been taken of the distinction between pastor and stated supply. The permanent pastoral relation is certainly the ideal one and to be desired, but however just the stigma resting upon the latter relation may be in the older sections of the country, it has no proper place in a newly settled region. And in many small churches, wherever they may be located, the persistent activity of one disgruntled individual ensures the speedy departure of the minister in charge. It is said that one active hornet can stampede a whole camp-meeting. Many a church has a hornet who becomes effectively active as soon as the pastoral relation is established, though otherwise likely to remain quiet for a season. Some of our wisest, most talented and consecrated pioneers never sought or accepted the position of installed pastor lest it might hinder their work. They preferred the position of missionary, or acting pastor. The Apostle Paul was probably never installed over a church. The pastoral relation is often termed "ecclesiastical marriage." The joint pastorate of two churches is too much like polygamy. It has serious drawbacks—so serious that its desirability in any case is questionable. If an ecclesiastical courtship of at least a year were the rule there would be fewer ecclesiastical divorces. Short pastorates are no credit to either party concerned. The ideal and incomparably vital relation of a minister to his church is that of Christian service.

Alderson, Samuel Baker; b. St. Charles Co., Mo.; s. Benj. A. and Mary Lisle Baker (of Va.); gr. Blkb. U.,

and McCor. T. S.; lic. Pby. St. Louis; ord. Pby. Ebenezer; p. Maysville, Ky. (11 yrs.); Washington C. H., O. (7 yrs.); Topeka, Kans. (5 yrs.); Portsmouth, O. (11 yrs.); Tarkio, Mo., '07—; A. M. and M. D. Central U., Ky.; m. Miss Nannie M. Barber.

Alexander, Hugh Payson; b. Aug. 15, 1869, Cape Girardeau Co., Mo.; s. Rev. C. W. and Mary Jane Mathes; gr. Pk. C. '97, and Louisville T. S., '00; lic. Pby. Lafayette, May 23, '99; ord. Oct. 29, '01, Pby. Palmyra; serv. South Fork, New Point, Maitland and Graham, Mo.; Pond Creek, Okla., '07—; m. June C. Lord, St. Joseph, Mo.

Allen, Oliver Dillard; b. May 26, 1831, Bourbon Co., Ky.; s. Wright and Mary Allen; st. Chapel Hill C. and under Dr. R. D. Morrow; lic. Oct. '51; ord. Apr. '55, Pby. Platte (C. P.); serv. Clarinda and Hawleyville, Ia.; Maywood (10 yrs.), Bethel and Round Prairie, Kans.; Barry, Easton, Watson, Pleasant View (12 yrs.), Stewartsville and Mt. Bethel, Mo.

Anderson, Matthew L.; b. Scrubgrass, Pa.; s. John and Rebecca Patterson; gr. W. and J. C., '60; Wn. T. S., '63; lic. Apr. 10, '62, Pby. Butler; ord. Nov. 10, '63, Pby. Wooster; serv. Millersburg, Holmesville and Orville, O.; Rosendale, Union, Graham, Albany and Mound City, Mo.; Norman, Okla., '92—.

Armstrong, Cyrus C.; b. Fulton, N. Y.; gr. State Normal, Mo.; Lane T. S.; ord. '91, Pby. Platte; serv. Carrollton, Mo.; Kansas City-Central, Kans.; Union Star, Empire Prairie, Stanberry and Knox, Mo.; inv. some years; m. dau. Logan Maxwell, St. Joseph, Mo.

Armstrong, Thomas Chalmers; b. Nov. 29, 1849, Belmont Co., O.; s. Rev. R. T. and Lydia Heath; gr. Frank. C, O. '74; st. Wn. and Lane T. S.; lic. Apr. '76 and ord. Apr. '75, Pby. St. Clairsville; serv. Hamilton, Mo. (3 yrs.); Tacoma-First, Wash. (4 yrs.); Miles City, Mont.; La Grande, Ore.; Spokane-Centenary and Northport, Wash.; Avalon, Mo., 1900—; m. Oct. 7. '80, Miss Anna M. Smith, Kidder, Mo.

Asdale, Wilson; b. Mar. 5, 1846, County Antrim, Ireland; gr. Wn. U. Pa., '73, Wn. T. S. '76; lic. Oct. 3, '76, Pby. Pittsburg; ord. Sept. 12, '78, Pby. Platte; serv. Gallatin, Mo.; Hays City, Kans.; Fairfax and Tipton, Mo.; Conrad Grove and Arlington, Ia.; Hebron, Mt. Olivet and Murdocksville, Pa.; Tipton, Mo., 1906—.

Aughey, John H.; b. New Hartford, N. Y.; gr. Frank. C. O.; st. theol. Holly Springs, Miss.; lic. Oct. 4, '56, Pby. Chickasaw; ord. April, '61, Pby. Tombeckbee; serv. Bethany, Waterford, Spring Creek, French Camp, Poplar Creek and Nazareth, Miss.; Princeton, Livonia, Paoli, Cambridge City, Leavenworth and Valley City, Ind.; Congress, Chester and Wayne, O.; Chariton, Ia.; Mulhall, Okla.; Weston, Mo.; H. R. some years; au. "Iron Furnace," "Tupelo," "Spiritual Gems," and "Eight Years' Mission Work in Oklahoma and Indian Territories."

Barnes, Edward D.; b. Mar. 28, 1880, Minneapolis, Kans.; s. H. S. and Nettie A. Hoag; gr. Pk. C. '04, Aub. T. S. '08; lic. and ord. June, '08, Pby. Kansas City; ss. Unionville, Marceline, Raymore and La Grange, p. Bethany, Mo., '08—.

Beard, John Dickey; b. May 31, 1829, Rockbridge, Va.; s. David and Mary Bowen McCampbell; st. Frank. C. O., theol. under Pby.; lic. Mar. 22, '61, ord. Apr. 18, '62, Pby. Des Moines; serv. Paris, Kingston, Dawn and Avalon, (14 yrs.) Mo.; Elko, Nev.; Vacaville (6 yrs.) and Santa Marino, Cal.; Bay City, Ore.; Pleasant Valley, Shandon, Cal., '92-5; H. R. Pby. San Jose; D. D., 1893; m. '60, Miss Mary E. McAdoo, Hamilton, Mo.

Berry, Franklin P.; b. Dover, N. J.; gr. Prin. U. '72, Un. T. S. '75; lic. Apr. 14, '75, Pby. Morris and Orange; ord. Oct. 3, '77, Pby. Emporia; serv. Walnut Valley, New Salem, Wellington, Kans.; Salem-First, Ore.; Kansas City-First, (10 yrs.) Kans.; Maryville, Mo., '94-99; Cheyenne, Wyo.; Los Angeles-Highland Park and Olivet, Cal.; D. D., 1901.

Bible, Frank W.; b. July 18, 1877, Bellefonte, Pa.; gr. Pk. C. '01, Aub. T. S. '04; lic. May 14, '03, ord. May 18, '04, Pby. Platte; fm. Hang Chow, China, '04—; m. Henrietta Caskey, Oregon, Mo.

Blair, Herbert E.; b. Sept. 27, 1878, Salina, Kans.; gr. Pk. C. '01, Prin. T. S. '04; lic. and ord. May 18, '04, Pby. Platte; fm. Syen Chun, Korea, '04—.

Blayney, Chas. P.; b. Nov. 21, 1848, Wheeling, W. Va.; s. Vincent and Mary Donahey; gr. W. and J. C. '69; in bus. '69-75; gr. Wn. T. S. '78; lic. Sept. 26, '77, Pby. Washington; ord. Dec. 5, '79, Pby. Osage; serv. Olive Branch (6 yrs.), Raymore, Breckenridge, New York Settlement, Milan, Maitland, New Point, Graham, New Hampton, Martinsville, Kingston and Shelbyville, Mo.; Com. to Gen. Ass. '84 and '93; m. Oct. 4, 1881, Maggie S. Wallis, Creighton, Mo.

Boyer, Jacob T.; b. Feb. 6, 1866, Campbellsburg, Ky.; gr. Centre C. '90; Prin. T. S. '94; ord. June 25, '94, Pby. Louisville; serv. Cowgill, Polo, Dawn, Osceola, Vista, Holden, St. Louis-Cook Ave.

Brown, (James) Duncan; b. June 6, 1844, Hannibal, Mo.; s. Cyrus S., and Julia B. Duncan; gr. Pardee C., '68, Prin. T. S. '71; lic. Apr. '70, Pby. Palmyra; ord. Apr. 23, '72, Pby. Osage; serv. Warsaw, Sunnyside, Clarence, Palmyra, Mound City, Craig, St. Joseph-Third Street., Macon, Tarkio (10 yrs.), Mo.; Phoenix, Ariz.; Mexico City, Mex.; inv. some years; St. Joseph-Brookdale, Mo.; prof. Latin Highland U. Kans., '82-83, and pres. same, '85-89; pres. Brookfield C. '89-91; D. D. Highland U. '84; serv. in Third Mo. Un. Vol. Cavalry, '61-65; m. Miss Mattie Y. Lewis, Clarence, Mo., Aug. 25, '74.

Brown, Henry A.; b. Jan. 13, 1865, Covington, Ky.; s. Herman and Charlotte Braun; gr. Centre C., '91, Danville T. S. '94; lic. Apr. 12, 94; ord. May 8, '95, Pby. Ebenezer; serv. Cottageville-Ebenezer, Ky. (3 yrs.); Alexandria, S. D.; Firth, Nebr.; Osceola, Lowry City.

St. Joseph-Faith, New Hampton (3 yrs.), Martinsville and Akron, Mo. 1906—; m. Miss Edith L. Dietrich, Aberdeen, O., June 4, '95.

Brown, Roy H.; b. May 2, 1877, Girard, Kans.; s. James and Mercy A. Playter; gr. Pk. C. '00, McC. T. S. '03; lic. and ord. Aug. 15, '03, Pby. Platte; fm. Legaspi, Albay, P. I. 1903—; m. June 3, '03, Miss Nellie McA. Pollock, Chicago, Ill.

Brownlee, Edmund S.; b. Washington, Pa.; gr. W. and J. C. '86, Wn. T. S. '89; lic. Apr. 11, '88, Pby. Washington; ord. Apr. 8, '90, Pby. West Virginia; serv. Ravenswood, W. Va.; Mt. Vernon, Ia.; Appleton City, Mo.; Kansas City-Grand View Park, and Council Grove, Kans.; Trenton-Hodge, Mo.

Buchanan, Robert A.; b. Apr. 27, 1867, Hensall, Ontario; s. Wm. and Jane McAllister; journeyman carpenter six and a half years; gr. Pk. C. '01, Aub. T. S. '04; lic. May 14, '03, ord. June 28, '04, Pby. Platte; p. Kohala Union Church, with oversight of a Japanese and also a Chinese mission church, '04-08; m. June 28, '05, Minnie Alice, dau. Dr. Daniel Thorn, Mardeen, Turkey.

Bull, Edward H.; b. May 25, 1869, Frankfort, Ky.; gr. Centre C. '90, McC. T. S. '95; ord. June 18, '95, Pby. Duluth; serv. Tower and Ely, Minn.; Breckenridge, New York Settlement, Albany, Knox, Mt. Zion, Grant City, Mo.; Hopkinsville, Ky., 1905—.

Bullard, Henry; b. Sept. 23, 1829, St. Louis, Mo.; s. Artemas and Anne T. Jones; gr. Amherst C. '60, Andover T. S. '63; lic. Jan. '63, Suffolk South Assoc.; ord. Oct. 1, '63, Council at Wayland, Mass.; p. Evangelical Trinitarian Ch., Wayland, Mass., Oct. 1, '63-68; p. St. Joseph-Westminster, Mo., May 1, '68—; D. D. Westm. C. (Mo.) 1883; m. Aug. 30, '71, Miss Helen Nelson, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, O.

Bullard, Henry Nelson; b. Nov. 19, 1874, St. Joseph, Mo.; s. Henry and Helen Nelson; gr. Amh. C. '96, Aub. T. S. '02; prof. Greek and libr. Park C., '96-99; lic.

Aug. 17, '00, ord. May 15, '02, Pby. Platte; p. Mound City, Mo. '02-06; Kansas City-Mellier Place, Mo., '07-08; Per. Clk. Synod of Missouri, '04-08; Ph. D. Kansas City U., 1900; m. Aug. 20, '02, Miss Mary A. Payne, Auburn, N. Y.; d. Feb. 12, '08.

Byram, Albert Barnes; b. Hillgrove, O.; gr. Iowa C., McC. T. S.; lic. Apr. '76, Pby. Chicago; ord. Nov. '77, Pby. Alton; serv. Greenville, Ill.; Fremont, Edgar, Ong, Oak, Craig, Nebr.; Mound City, Mo.; Diagonal, Platte Center, Prairie Star, Williams, Ia.; Kingston, Mo.; Firth and Hopewell, Nebr.

Caldwell, Wm. Elliott; b. July 1, 1857, Elizabeth, Pa.; s. Wm. and Mary E. Douglass; gr. Woos. U. '79, Wn. T. S. '82; lic. Apr. '81, Pby. Pittsburg; ord. July '82, Pby. Des Moines; serv. Marcus, Liberty, Paulina (7 yrs.), Sanborn, Livermore, Irvington, Luverne, Allenton, Ia.; New Point, Graham, Maitland, Breckenridge, New York Settlement, Marceline, Mo.; m. Nov. 26, '84, Miss Fannie M. Gates, Canton, Dak.

Cardy, Kersey Jones; b. Wild Rose, Wis.; s. Rev John Jones Cardy; st. Huron C.; gr. Oma. T. S. '04; lic. April, ord. Sept. 14, '04, Pby. Platte; serv. King City and Hopkins, Mo.; m. June 19, '06, Grace Moulton, King City, Mo.

Carson, Wm.; b. 1846, Tyrone Co., Ireland; s. John H. and Mary Wilson; gr. Blkb. U. '73, (Lane T. S. '74) Un. T. S. '76; ord. Oct. '77, Pby. Platte; serv. Coloma, Mo.; Rising Sun, Ind.; Batavia, Circleville and Harrison (3 yrs.), O.; Knightstown, Sunderland, Ind.; m. Apr. 11, '78, Miss Jennie Beeson, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, O.; au. "Last Days of Pompeii," "Bob Ingersoll."

Clark, Walter Halsey; b. July 2, 1832, Milton, N. Y.; s. Nathaniel and Hannah Marsh; gr. Williams C. '54, Un. T. S. '59 (Aub. T. S. '56-8); ord. June 30, '59, Pby. North River; fm. Gaboon and Corisco, West Africa, '59-69; serv. Ponca, Elk Valley, Daily Branch, Nebr.; tea. Silver Ridge, Nebr., '78-87; helper Pk. C. Family,

Parkville, Mo., '87—; m. Maria M. Jackson, Corisco, W. Africa, Jan. 1, '61.

Clark, Walter Jackson; b. Jan. 31, 1862, Milton, N. Y.; s. Walter H. and Maria M. Jackson; gr. Park C. '88, Un. T. S. '91; lic. and ord. Apr. 20, '93, Pby. Platte; office sec. Student Vol. Movement, '90-93; fm. Punjab Mission, India, '93—; m. July 12, '93, Nettie Dunn, Hillsdale, Mich.

Cowan, Hector W.; b. July 12, 1863, Hobart, N. Y.; s. Hector and Helena Jane Rich; gr. Prin. U. '88, Prin. T. S., '91; lic and ord. May, '91, Pby. Otsego; serv. Tina and St. Joseph-Hope, Mo., '91-94; Spring Hill, Gardner, Stanley, Kans.; Buffalo-Bethesda, N. Y.; tea. Potsdam, N. Y.; prof. Physical Culture and Chapel Director, Kans. U. '94-97; m. June 30, '92, Annie L. Smith, Jamestown, N. Y.

Crane, James Irwin; b. 1873, Brooklyn, Mich.; gr. Alma C. '98, McC. T. S. '01 (Aub. T. S. '99); ord. '01, Pby. Owosso; serv. Troy Grove, Ill. (3 yrs.); Carrollton, Mo.; Hanover, Mich.; m. 1900, Miss Ethel Ryon, Valparaiso, Ind.

Cravens, Wm. A.; b. Feb. 15, 1852, Hanover, Ind.; s. John C. and Nancy Manaugh; gr. Han. C. '75, Danv. T. S. '78; lic. Apr. 27, '77, Pby. Transylvania; ord. Apr. 1, '79, Pby. Ozark; serv. Salem, Shiloh, Modoc, Pleasant Valley, Knobnoster, Albany, Stanberry, Cameron, Breckenridge, New York Settlement, Savannah (8 yrs.), Carrollton, Mo.; Chandler, Wewoka and Waurika, Okla.; m. Mar. 7, '78, Mrs. Sallie Farrand, Danville, Ky.

Creighton, John; b. Dec. 22, 1864, Douglastown, N. B.; s. David and Euphemia Millar; gr. Pk. C. '94, McC. T. S. '97; lic. Sept. 13, ord. Sept, 24, '97, Pby. Platte; serv. Trenton-Hodge, Mo. (4 yrs.); York, Nebr. (6 yrs.); Phoenix, Ariz.; m. Aug. 24, '97, Eliza Delle Caughey, Seville, O.

Currie, John A.; b. Feb. 22, 1872, Tarkio, Mo.; s. John and Isabella Currie; gr. Tarkio C. '93, McC. T.

S. '97; lic. Apr. 21, ord. Oct. 19, '97, Pby. Platte; serv. Craig, Mo.; Humboldt, Nebr.; Axtell and Clifton, Kans.; m. June 2, '97, Miss Minnie Hogue, Tarkio, Mo.

Curtis, John Tate; b. April 21, 1858, London Co., Tenn.; s. Wm. Harrison and Nancy Ann Robinett; gr. Centre C. '92, Danv. T. S. '94; lic. Apr. '93, Pby. Transylvania; ord. Sept. '94, Pby. Ozark; serv. Harlin, Ky.; Salem, Preston, Irwin, Jasper, Mo.; Chanute, Kans.; Eureka Springs, Ark.; St. Joseph-Oak Grove, Mo.; Pawnee, Okla.; m. Dec. 21, '95. Mary Huston Couchman, Irwin, Mo.

Dager, Wm. M.; b. 1870, Cincinnati, O.; s. Chas. Dager; gr. Pk. C. '96, McC. T. S., '99; lic. and ord. May 11, '99; Pby. Platte; fm. Elat, W. Africa, '99—; m. Sarah Shaw.

Davies, David C.; b. July 5, 1874, Scranton, Pa.; s. Benj. D. and Mary Jones; gr. Ham. C., '99, Aub. T. S. '04; lic. May '03, Pby. Utica; ord. Sept. 5, '05, Pby. Platte; serv. Lathrop, Gallatin, Bethel, Mo.; Gloversville, Mechanicsville, N. Y.; libr. Park College, '99-01; m. Nov. 15, '04, Miss Bertha L. Farley, Forestport, N. Y.

Derr, Chas. H.; b. Nov. 16, 1877, Chicago, Ill.; gr. Pk. C., '01, McC. T. S. '04; lic. May 14, '03, ord Apr. 13, '04, Pby. Platte; fm. Chen Chow, China, '04—.

Dinsmore, Francis B.; b. Apr. 22, 1817, Greene Co., O.; s. Moses and Irene Braddock; gr. Wash. C., 43, Prin. T. S., '47; lic. Apr. 22, '47, Pby. Washington; ord. June, '49, Pby. Iowa; serv. Mt. Pleasant, Trenton and Unity (5 yrs.), Ia.; Pisgah, Long Branch, Mo.; prof. Latin, Des Moines College, '52-53; m. Jan. 3, '47, Jane Patterson, West Alexander, Pa.; d. Feb. 21, '04, Hopkins, Mo.

Doole, Wm. Irenaeus; b. Beech Springs, O.; s. Wm. Speer and Annie Campbell; gr. Monm. C., '79, McC. T. S. '82; lic. Mar., '82, ord. Sept., '82, Pby. Peoria; serv. Conrad, Ia.; Craig, Nebr.; Wichita-Oak St., Horton (9 yrs.), Kans.; Hamilton, Mo.; Adams, Nebr.; m. May 18, '92, Miss Annie Pollock, Blair, Nebr.

Dougherty, Mark Rufus; b. Nov., 19, '59, Edmondton, Ky.; gr. Odessa C. '89, Cumb. T. S. '91; lic. Oct., 5, '87, Pby. Lexington; ord. Oct. 5, '90, Pby. McMinnsville; serv. Colorado City, Pilot Point, Tex.; Salem, Otterville, Gallatin, Prairie Valley, Hopewell, Centerview, Freeman, Mo.; m. Miss Parma Wash, Sept. 30, '91.

Duff, Guy B.; b. Nov. 6, '90, Stickleyville, Va.; s. Wm. P. and Eliza B. Newland; gr. King. C. '00, Ky. T. S. '04; lic. July 6, ord. Sept. 14, '04, Pby. Upper Missouri; serv. Morton-Hardin, Montgomery City, Mo.; m. May 20, '06, Miss Stella Shepherd, Hardin, Mo.

Duncan, John; b. Aug. 30, '75, Perham, Minn.; s. James S. and Sara Wallace; gr. Pk. C. '02, McC. T. S. '05; lic. and ord. Apr. 12, '05, Pby. Platte; serv. Potomac, Mont.; Fairfax, Rockport, Craig, Mo.; m. June 29, '05, Miss Eliz. T. Bailey, Parkville, Mo.

Edwards, Chas. E.; b. Philadelphia, Pa.; gr. Han. C. '79; lic. Apr., '83, Pby. Pittsburg; ord. Nov. 3, '85, Pby. Northumberland; p. Mifflinburg (3 yrs.), Port Allegheny, Sharpsville, Charleroi, Shenandoah (4 yrs.), Pa.; Lathrop, Mo.; B. A. Centre C. '79; M. A. Han. C. '82.

Emerson, Frank O.; b. July 10, 1876, Pierce, Nebr.; s. Asa and Sarah Jones; gr. Pk. C., '03, Aub. T. S., '06; ord. May, '06, Pby. Cayuga; fm. Batanga, W. Africa. '06—; m. June 9, '06, Alta Almyra Kimberly.

Eppler, Henry; b. Dec. 6, 1808, Sevierville, Tenn.; s. Jonathan and Elsie Thomas; st. Richmond C. and under Rev. Daniel Patton; ev., tea., farmer—self-supporting home my. in Clay and Andrew Counties, Mo.; m. Elizabeth Clark, Clay Co., Mo.; d. Oct. 1, '88, Flag Springs, Mo.

Evans, Silas; b. Feb. 12, 1876, Scranton, Pa.; s. Rowland Hill and Mary Alban; gr. Ripon C. '98, Prin. T. S. '01; lic. Apr., '00, Pby. New Brunswick; ord. Sept., '01, Pby. Hastings; ss. Giltner, as. p. Hastings, Nebr., '01-03; ss. and p. Parkville, Mo., '03-09; prof. Philosophy, Hastings, C., '01-03; prof. Mental and Moral Philosophy,

Park C., '03-09; prof. Hebrew and Hellenistic Greek, Wisconsin U., '09—; m. Aug. 15, '06, Miss Nellie B. McAfee, McAfee, Ky.

Farrand, Edward S.; b. Jan. 9, 1861, Garrard Co., Ky.; s. Chas. E. Farrand; gr. Centre C., '85, Wn. T. S., '88; lic. May, '87, Pby. Transylvania; ord. June, '88, Pby. Pittsburg; serv. Pittsburg-Mt. Washington, Pa.; Topeka-Westminster, Kans.; Los Angeles-Boyle Heights, Cal.; Cameron, Stanberry, Mo.; Ponca City, Kingfisher, Okla., '05—; m. Emma Dodge, Kingston, Mo., '89; Kate Foy, Cameron, Mo., '02.

Fetterolf, John Franklin; b. Kalamazoo, Mich.; s. John and Margaret Kern; gr. Pk. C. '93, McC. T.S., '96; ord. Oct. , '96, Pby. Platte; serv. Kingston, Mirabile, Mo.; Wilmington, Macon, Assumption, Ill.; Chillicothe, Mo. 1906—.

Flow, John Eldred; b. Nov. 14, 1874, Mecklenburg Co., N. C.; s. Robert Hall and Mary Jane Alexander; gr. Davidson C. '00, Un. T. S. Va. '03; lic. May 20, '03, Pby. Mecklenburg; ord. Oct. 15, 03, Pby. Upper Missouri; p. Bethel, St. Charles, Mo.; S. C. Pby. Upper Missouri; m. Dec. 27, '05, Miss Lula Wharton, Lawson, Mo.

Foy, John; b. May 9, 1840, Guernsey Co., O.; s. Daniel and Anna Warner; gr. Musk. C., '66, Wn. T. S. '69; lic. '68, ord. '69, Pby Zanesville; serv. W. Carlisle, Martinsburg, O.; Salem, Nebr.; Cameron, Greenfield, Mo.; Titusvile, Fla. (where he gathered and built up a flourishing church); ev. and inv. in. O.; m. Miss Hattie Davis; d. Jan. 5, '03, Otsego, O.

France, Joseph H.; b. Washington, D. C.; gr. Colgate U.; st. theol. William Jewell C.; lic. Apr. 21, '71, Pby. Osage; ord. Oct. 10, '71, Pby. Platte; hm. Lathrop, Cameron, Osborn, Mo.; p. Kalamazoo, Mich. (3 yrs.); Lowville (7 yrs.) Canandaigua (8 yrs.), Johnstown (9 yrs.), Naples, N. Y.; D. D. '83, Colgate U.

Froman, James; b. Nov. 3, 1850, Clinton Co., Mo.; s. Lorenzo J. and Cecil G. Gist; st. Stewartsville C.,

Lebanon T. S.; lic. Aug., '75, ord. Aug., '78, Pby. Platte (C. P.); serv. West Fork, Barry, Shady Grove, Bethlehem, Bethany, King City, Union Star, Mt. Zion, Pratherville, Mo.; Mt. Bethel, Kans.; m. Sept. 10, '89, Miss Ella Adkins, Linkville, Mo.

Gauss, Oscar W.; b. Mar. 28, 1842, Glasgow, Mo.; gr. (M. A.) Wash. U. '63, (M. D.) St. Louis Med. C., '65; st. theol. Westm. C.; lic. Pby. Missouri, ord. Pby. Potosi, '71; ss. Jackson, Pleasant Valley; p. Cape Girardeau, '73-5; Boonville, '75-84; ss. Memphis, '84-5; p. Jefferson City, '85-8; ch. Missouri Pen., '88-92; p. Plattsburg, '92-7; cm. Kansas City, '97-03; hm. in Ozarks, '03; org. ch. Arvada, Colo., July, '04 and ss. '04-06; Nunn, Colo., '06—; S. C. Pby. Upper Missouri, '93-02.

Gillespie, John; b. Oct. 8, 1814, Ballibay, Ireland; s. Isaac and Jane Boyd; gr. Belfast C., '41; hm. south of Ireland; serv. Franklinton, Eng. (7 yrs.); ag. Freedman's Board; ss. Gallatin and Bethel, Mo.; m. Mary Breakey, Co. Monaghan, Ire.; d. Sept. 8, '77, Gallatin, Mo.

Gillette, John M.; b. Nodaway Co., Mo.; s. Wm. W. and Jane Radford; gr. Pk. C., '92, Prin. T. S., '95; ord. May 21, '95, Pby. Platte; ss. Dodge City, Kans.; libr. Normal C., Springfield, Mass.; prin. Chadron Acad., Nebr.; pres. Female Acad., Jacksonville, Ill.; prof. History and Social Science, State Normal, Valley City, N. D.; prof. Grand Forks, N. D.; Ph. D., '98, Chicago T. S., and '01, Chicago U.; m. Sept. 4, '01, Margaret Carolyn Morgan, Chadron, Nebr.

Goodale, Alvin B.; b. May 22, 1829, Potsdam, N. Y.; s. Solomon and Fanny Banister; gr. Amh. C., '58, Union T. S., '60, (M. D.), N. Y. Med. C., '60; ‡ord. Feb. 5, '60, Third Pby. N. Y. City; fm. Marash, Turkey, '60-5; ss. Belle Plaine, Kans., '65-7; pres. Parsons C., '68-70; p. Marshalltown, Cedar Falls, Wyoming, Ia.; Trenton, Kingston, Mo.; Baldwin, Kans., '88-93; res. Pomona, Cal., '93-07; m. Jan. 10, '60, Mary Linsley, Millville, N. Y.; d. Jan. 9, '07.

Grossman, Francis W.; b. Jan. 22, 1858, Louisville, Ky.; s. Franz and Anna Buschs; gr. Centre C., '85, McC. T. S., '89; lic. and ord., '87, Pby. Louisville; ss. Leavenworth, Ind.; Cloverport, Ky.; cm. Dallas, Tex.; p. Villisca, Ia.; p. m. Pby. Corning; p. e. King City and Albany, Mo.; p. m. Pby. Winona; Pres. Lenox C.; p. New Albany, Ind.; D. D., 1905; m. July 21, '87, Miss Nellie Lucas, Louisville, Ky.

Hall-Quest, Alfred Lawrence; b. May 13, 1879, N. Y. City; s. Chas. A. and Mary Louise Lantz; gr. Augustine, '00, (p. gr. Prin. U., '02), Prin. T. S., '03; lic. '00, ord. '03, Pby. Brooklyn; as. p. N. Y. City-Church Covenant; p. Black Duck, Minn.; St. Joseph-Third St., Mo.; M. A., Princeton U.; m. Aug. 26, '08, Shirley I. Knox.

Hardin, Stewart Sandford; b. Nov. 16, 1839, Henry Co., Ky.; ord. '68, Bishop Kavanaugh (M.E. Ch. S.); serv. Prairie Valley, Hopewell, Grand River, New Hope, Lock Spring, Macedonia, New Providence, Chula, Mo.

Hamilton, Chas. H.; b. Nov. 4, 1871, Pittsburg, Pa.; s. A. J. and Martha L. Slade; gr. Pk. C., '00, Wn. T. S., '03; lic. Oct., '02, ord. May 7, '03, Pby. Pittsburg; hm. Smithfield (5 yrs.), Mt. Pleasant, Utah; m. May 21, '03, Grace D. Hamilton, Parkville, Mo.

Hanna, Jay C.; b. Apr. 19, 1863, Savannah, O.; s. T. Wilson and Amanda Gault; gr. Woos. U., '88, Prin. T. S., '91; ord. July 14, '91, Pby. Ozark; serv. Ash Grove, Cave Springs, Willard, King City, Albany, Cameron, Mo.; Maron, Ill.; Purcell, Pond Creek, Okla.; Osceola, Mo.; Forest, O.; m. June 19, '95, Belle Van der Veer, King City, Mo.

Harold, Wm. Seborn; b. July 30, 1872, Greeneville, Tenn.; s. Wm. C. and Martha Willis; gr. Gr. and Tus. C., '98; lic. '96, and ord. '98, Pby. East Tennessee; serv. Ottawa, Newmansville, Tenn.; Batesville, Bethesda, Centerburg, O.; St. Joseph-Brookdale, Memphis, Mo.; Wythe, Ill.; m. July 20, '99, Columbus, O.

Hatfield, John H.; b. Ridgely, Mo.; s. Geo. E. and Minerva Mefford; gr. Pk. C., '92, McC. T. S., '95; lic. May, '95, Pby. Platte; ord. June, '95, Pby. Freeport; ss. Salina, Baxter Springs, Kans.; cm. Springfield, Mo.; Oronoco, Minn.; p. Harvard, Pontiac, Ill.; Tarkio, Mo.; Columbus-Hoge Memorial, O., '07—; m. June 18, '95, Miss Adah Marie Aniel, Loveland, O., '07—.

Hayes, Chas. Edward; b. May 13, 1860, Buchanan Co., Mo.; s. Rev. Leander F. and Susan C. McKee; gr. Amity C., '85; st. Lebanon T. S.; lic. '90 and ord. Apr. '92, Pby. Platte; serv. Albany, McFall, Round Grove, Mt. Zion, Agency, Mo.; Danvers, Ill. (5 yrs.); State Supt. Ch. Extension in Ill., '00-07; Supt. Home Missions, '07—; D. D., '07, Amity C.; m. June 15, '92, Ida Smith, Louisiana, Mo.

Haymaker, Edward Graham; b. Nov. 25, 1862, Newlonsburg, Pa.; gr. W. & J. C., '85, Wn. T. S., '09 (p. gr., '90-1); p. Midway, Union, Pa.; Prin. Oak Hill Acad., Okla., '92-04; tea. Winona (Ind.), Acad., '04-6; p. Easton, Mo., '07—; m. Oct. 25, '94, Elizabeth Willis.

Henderson, Arthur W.; b. Sept. 20, 1870, Lebanon, Mo.; s. W. T. and Emily Headlee; gr. Cumb. U., '97, Un. T. S., '98; lic. '96, ord. '97, Pby. Lebanon; ed. Canyon City Times, Colo.; serv. St. Joseph-First Cumberland, Mo.

Henderson, John T.; b. Feb. 27, 1864, Franklin, Ind.; s. Isaac and Theresa Thompson; gr. Wab. C., '89, McC. T. S., '92; ord. June 14, '92, Pby. Mankato; p. Pipestone-First, Minn., '92-8; ch. Pk. C., and cp., Parkville, Mo., '98-00; p. Janesville, Wis., '00-05; Minneapolis-Merriam Park, Minn., '05—; m. April 28, '92, Sarah Banford, Chicago, Ill.

Hepburn, T. Henry; b. Nov. 3, '72, Hopkins, Mo.; s. James L. and Maria Jane Robinson; gr. Pk. C., '99, McC. T. S., '02; lic. and ord. June 5, '02, Pby. Ozark; ss. Coon Rapids, Ia., three summers; p. Monett-First, Mo., '02-05; Aurora, Ill., '05-08; Chicago-Buena Mem-

orial '08—; m. May 7, '02, Isabelle Speer, Vandergrift, Pa.

Herr, Arthur Bell; b. May 7, 1872, Mifflinburg, Pa.; s. James Edwin and Annetta M. Young; gr. Pk. C., '92, Aub. T. S., '95; lic. and ord. May 21, '95, Pby. Platte; ss. King City and Albany, Mo.; p. Pottsgrove, Pa., '98-04; p. Great Bend, Pa., '04—; m. June 11, '03, Mary Estelle McWilliams, Mooresburg, Pa.

Hickman, Frank D. P.; b. Sept. 10, 1866, Philadelphia, Pa.; gr. Pk. C., '02, Prin. T. S., '05; ord. May 21, '95, Pby. Platte; fm. Benito, West Africa, '95—.

Higgins, Corydon W.; b. Jan. 18, 1822, Worthington, Mass.; s. Luther and Lydia Ring; gr. Wms. C., '50, Aub. T. S., '53; ord. '53, Pby. Rochester; serv. East Avon, Spencer, Newfield, Big Flats, N. Y.; Cottage Grove, Wis.; Osborn, Mo.; org. ch. Beloit, Kans.; inv. long time; m. '53, Harriet W. Chapin, N. Y. City; m. Dec. 23, '75, Mary Fraser, Parkville, Mo.; d. Aug. 21, 1894, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Hindman, David R.; b. Allegheny Co., Pa.; st. theol. under Rev. J. A. Darrah; lic. '68, ord. '70, Pby. North Missouri; serv. Canton, Monticello, Williamstown, Greensburg, Mo.; Seymour, Allerton, Promise City, Lineville, Tex.; Wilson, Ft. Harker, McCune, Osage, Kanopolis, Miltonvale, Clyde, Philipsburg, Long Island, Bow Creek, Auburn, Kans.; m. Feb. 23, '58, Mary M. Bohon, New Providence, Mo.; d. Mar. 11, '08, Parkville, Mo.

Ilsley, Wm. Henry; b. April 25, 1844, Montgomery, Co., Ill.; s. Edward and Lucy C. L. Stoddard; gr. Blkb. U. and Blkb. T. S., '73; lic. April 12, '73, Pby. Alton; ord. Oct. 8, '73, Pby. Platte; serv. St. Joseph-Third St., Oak Grove, Hopkins (6 yrs.), Barnard, Mo.; Lenox, Ia.; Carlyle, Elgin, Macon, Ill.; Grand Junction, Dana, Leon, Wyoming, Ia., '03—; fin. ag. Coe College, '94-96; A. M., Blkb. U., '93; m. Mar. 12, '65, Sarah E. Robb; m. Oct. 21, '73, Miss Helen H. Smith, St. Louis, Mo.

Irvine, Melville B.; b. Feb. 25, 1843, Saline Co., Mo.; s. Philander Y. and Sarah P. Brown; gr. Westm. C. '68; st. theol. at home; lic. '69, Pby. New Lebanon; ord. Mar. 6. '71, Pby. Leavenworth; itin. m. Mo., Kans. and Nebr., '71-77; serv. Arrow Rock, Mo.; Canyon City, Colo.; Marshall, Roanoke, Mt. Olive, Mo.; Danville, Ill.; Warrensburg (8 yrs.), Carthage, Mo.; Taylorville, Ill.; St. Joseph-Cumberland, Albany, Mo.; Minneapolis-House of Faith, Minn. '08—; 7118 sermons, 257 funerals, 2004 professions, 1496 members received; m. June 22, '79, Miss Mary E. Woodward.

Irwin, Robert; b. Sept. 28, 1870, Garafraxa, Ont.; s. Robert H. Irwin; gr. Pk. C. '87, McC. T. S., '90; ord. April 10, '90; fm. Laos, Siam, '90-06; serv. Friday Harbor, Wash.; Braidwood, Ill.

Jones, Wm. Yates; b. 1864, Dunlap, Ill.; s. Rev. Wm. Jones; gr. Pk. C. '92, McC. T. S. '05; lic. and ord. May 21, '95, Pby. Platte; fm. Japan, '95—; m. Miss Mary Brokaw, Japan.

Kircher, Chas. E.; b. Germantown, O.; gr. Ohio Normal U., '83 (A. M. '86), Lane T. S., '91; lic. '90, Pby. Cincinnati; ord. '91, Pby. Whitewater; p. Knightstown, '90-94, Alexandria, '94-97, Muncie-Westminster, Evansville, Ind.; Maryville, '02-08, Jefferson City, Mo., '08—.

Kirkwood, James; b. May 5, 1827, Glasgow, Scotland; s. Francis and Agnes Ross; st. theol. Rev. John Scott, London, Can.; ord. Pby. Kearney; serv. Osceola, Spring Ranch, Glenville, Inland, Nebr.; Norton, Quenemo, Kans.; Tarkio, Fairfax, Gallatin, Grant City, Mo.; m. June 14, '52, Jane Gordon, London, Can.; d. Feb. 15, '95, Fairfax, Mo.

Knox, John; b. Nov. 18, 1860, Norristown, Pa.; s. Andrew Jackson and Susanna W. Detwiler; gr. Laf. C. '85, Prin. T. S. '88; lic. '86, Pby. North Philadelphia; ord. Oct. 18, '88, Pby. Arizona; serv. Tombstone, Ariz.; Trenton-Hodge, Mo. (4 yrs.); Sayre, Pa.; Spencer (9 yrs.), Painted Post, N. Y., '08—; m. '87, Eunice M. Yale, Honesdale, Pa.

Krotzer, Marcus E.; b. June 22, 1867, Rimersburg, Pa.; s. Samuel and Levina Bartholomew; gr. Pk. C. '90, McC. T. S. '93 (Lane, '90-91); lic. '92, Pby. Topeka; ord. June 13, '93, Pby. Ft. Dodge; serv. Manila, Manning, Delmar, Ia.; Craig, Raymore, Mo.; Harvard, Ill.; Ottumwa, Ia., '03—; m. May 11, '93, Nona Spurling, Murdock, O.; m. Jan. 16, '96, Emma Hartlieb, Cincinnati, O.

Leyda, James, E.; b. Jan. 18, 1848, Dunningsville, Pa.; s. Emery and Hannah Wilson; gr. W. and J. C. '74, Wn. T. S., '77; lic. '77, Pby. Washington; ord. '77, Pby. Clarion; p. Perry, Worthville, West Glade Run, Worthington, Pa.; Ellsworth, Kans. (5 yrs.); West Plains (6 yrs.), Fairfax, Rockport, Mo.; Jonesboro, Ark. (7 yrs.); Monument, Table Rock, Colo.; Cairo, W. Va.; m. April 5, '77, Nannie R. Robinson, Allegheny City, Pa.

Lonsdale, Frank; b. Heslington, Yorkshire, Eng.; st. Dublin U. and theol. Rev. E. C. Miller, Hamilton, Can.; ord. Aug. 5, '88, Pby. Platte; p. Hopkins (4 yrs.), hm. Barnard, Quitman, Morning Star, p. St. Joseph-Third St., Mo.; ss. Golden, Colo.; pm. Pby. Denver; p. Ft. Collins-First, Colo. (3 yrs.); Raton, N. Mex.; St. Louis, Mo. (9 yrs.); Collinsville, Ill., '08—.

McAfee, Cleland Boyd; b. Sept. 25, 1866, Ashley, Mo.; s. John A. and Anna W. Bailey; gr. Pk. C. '84, Un. T. S., '88; lic. July 10, '88. ord. Sept. 13, 88, Pby. Platte; ss., as. p. and p. Parkville, Mo., '88-01; p. Chicago-Forty-First St., '01-04; Brooklyn-Lafayette Ave., N. Y., '04—; prof. Philosophy, Park C. '89-01; Ph. D., '92, Westm. C.; D. D., '99, Pk. C.; m. Aug, 10, '92, Miss Hattie L. Brown, Girard, Kans.

McAfee, John Armstrong; b. Dec. 12, 1831, Marion Co., Mo.; s. Joseph and Priscilla Ann Armstrong; gr. Westm. C. '59; st. theol. in his own study; lic. Sept. '65, ord. April, '66, Pby. Palmyra; serv. Ashley, Louisiana, Mo.; Highland, Kans.; Parkville, Mo., '75-89; prof. Synodical C., Fulton, Mo., '59-60; prin. Watson Sem.,

Ashley, '60-67; pres. Pardee C., Louisiana, '67-70; pres. and prof. Greek, Highland U., '70-75; pres. Park C., '75-90; D. D. Westm. C.; m. Aug. 23, '59, Miss Anna Waddell Bailey, Fulton, Mo.; d. June 12, '90, Parkville, Mo.

McAfee, Lapsley Armstrong; b. Mar. 31, 1864, Ashley, Mo.; s. John A. and Anna W. Bailey; gr. Pk. C. '82, McC. T. S., '85; lic. July 10, '88, ord. Mar. 14, '89, Pby. Platte; p. Parkville, Mo., '89-98; p. Phoenix, Ariz. '99-05; p. Berkeley, Cal., '05—; ch. Park C., '85-98; steward and supt. Park College Family, 85-89; D. D., '00, High. U. and '01, Pk. C.; m. Aug. 17, '87, Ella Taylor, Bloomington, Nebr.

McAfee, Samuel Lanty; b. May 13, 1841, Emerson, Mo.; s. Joseph and Priscilla Ann Armstrong; gr. Pardee C. '69, McC. T. S. '71; lic. May 14, '69, Pby. Northeast Missouri; ord. Dec. 17, '71, Pby. Missouri River; p. Red Oak, Ia., '71-82; Winnebago, Minn.; Malvern, Ia., '82-85; prin. Corning Acad., Ia., '85-89; prof. Biblical History and Practical Christian Training, Park C. '89—; First Lieut. Third Mo. Vol. Cavalry, '62-65; A. M., '72, High. U., D. D., '97, Parsons C.; S. C., Pby. Council Bluffs, 16 years; Mod. Syn. Iowa South, '76; m. April 19, '71, Mary Esther Poage, Ashley, Mo.

McCammon, Wm. Albert; b. July 4, 1873, Gentryville, Mo.; s. Jonathan P. and Margaret Eliz. Clark; st. Mo. Val. C. 2 years, Cumb. U., and gr. McC. T. S., '06; ord. Feb. 22, '01, Pby. Platte (C. P.); serv. Freedom and Mt. Zion, Ia.; Mt. Moriah, Salem, St. Joseph-Brookdale (2 yrs.), Mo.; Benson, Ariz., '08—.

McCain, Cornelius; b. Sept. 28, 1824, Lebanon, O.; s. Daniel and Magdalena Voorhis; gr. Han. C. '51; tea. Grand River C., Trenton, St. Joseph, Savannah, Oregon, Mo., and Iowa and Sac Mission, Kans., '51-57; lic. '55, Pby. Upper Missouri; ord. April, '58, Pby. Platte; hm. Kans. and Nebr. '57-61; serv. Forest City and Oregon, Mo. (2 yrs.); Washington, Ind. (3 yrs.); Albany, Mo. (2 yrs.); Hanover, Monroe and Hunting-

ton (4 yrs.), Kentland (7 yrs.), Goodland, Ind. (6 yrs.); Gallatin, Mo. (4 yrs.); m. Sept. 21, '51, Miss Eliza A. Currey, Grand River C., Trenton, Mo.

McClintic, Hugh Peyton; b. Oct. 16, 1868, Bath Co., Va.; s. Wm. and Nancy Byrd; gr. Hamp. Sid. C., '96, Un. T. S .(Va.), '99; lic. June 15, '99, Pby. Norfolk; ord. July 8, '00, Pby. Lexington; serv. Shemeriah, Basic City, Va.; Shelbina group (2 yrs.), Plattsburg (2 yrs.), Liberty, Mo., '06—; S. C. Pby. Upper Mo.

McClung, John S.; b. Dec. 24, 1837, near Jacksonville, Ill.; s. Hervey and Sarah Bird; gr. Ill. C. '64. McC. T. S. '67; lic. April, '66, Pby. Sangamon; ord. Nov. 11, '67, Pby. Bureau; serv. Beulah, Coal Valley, Calvary (3 yrs.), White Rock (3 yrs.), Ill.; Oregon, Mo. '73-75; hm., Kans., org. and built three churches, '75—; org. and blt. Coal Valley and Calvary; m. June 5, '67, Carrie C. Tomlin, Jacksonville, Ill.

McElroy, Wm. R.; b. Dec. 17, 1856, Mackville, Ky.; s. Samuel Rice and Mary B. Reed; gr. Drury C. '86, McC. T. S. '89; lic. April, '89, Pby. Ozark; ord. Sept. '89, Pby. Platte; serv. Chillicothe, Mo .(4 yrs.); Cassopolis, Mich., '93-7; West Plains, Mo., '98-02; Minneapolis (6 yrs.), Topeka, Kans.

McFarland, James; b. 1855, Co. Clare, Ireland; st, Pbn. C., Montreal, McGill U., Quebec (3 yrs.), McC. T. S. (1883); ord. '81, Pby. Pueblo; p. Durango (2 yrs.), Walsenburg (3 yrs.), Central City (3 yrs.), Idaho Springs (2 yrs.), Denver-Hyde Park (11 yrs.), Colo.; Oregon, Mo., '03-06; d. Aug. 18, '06, Oregon, Mo.

McGee, James W.; b. Oct. 22, 1859, Leavenworth Co., Kans,; s. Wm. F. and Sally Tuggle; great-grandson of Rev. Wm. McGee; st. Kirksville Normal, Ozark C., Cumb. U., '86-91; lic. Sept., '90, ord. Sept. 17, '91, Pby. Chillicothe; p. Bethany, Pilot Grove, Bethel, Butler, Harrisonville; ss. Mt. Olive, Union, Peculiar, Mo.; p. Jefferson, Tex.; m. Aug. 9, '94, Ruth A. Kinkade, Bethany, Mo.

McGlothlan, Albert W.; b. Aug. 2, 1856, Galesburg, Ill.; s. Wm. and Sarah Massey; gr. (M. A.) North Mo. State Normal, '82; railway clk. '82-89; gr. Lane T. S., '92; ord. April 20, '93, Pby. Platte; ss. Madeira, O., '91-92; p. Lathrop (3 yrs.), Stanberry (5 yrs.), Savannah, Mo., '01—; Com. Gen. Ass., '96; m. Aug., '82, Miss Frances Jackson, Hopkins, Mo.

McKay, James, Allan; b. Sept. 6, 1857, Lake Ainslie, N. S.; s. Lauchlin and Mary McMillan; gr. Pk. C. '84, (M. A. '87), McC. T. S. '87; ord. April 12, '87, Pby. Platte; p. New Hampton and Martinsville (8 yrs.), Akron (12 yrs.), Mo.; Davis City, Dexter, Ia.; Heron Lake, Minn.; Milo, Atkins, Ia., '08—; m. April, '87, Miss Maggie C. McRuer, Union Grove, Mo.

McKinlay, Geo. Angus; b. Dec. 14, 1847, Pleasant Lake, Ind.; s. Angus and Frances Forbes; st. La Grange C., Aub. T. S. (2 yrs.); lic. Sept. '72, ord. April 9, '74, Pby. Platte; serv. Mirabile, Mo. (3 yrs.); Owasco Outlet, N. Y.; Carrollton, Forest City, Gallatin, Mo.; Sumner, Wash.; Eugene, Sellwood, Pendleton, Spring Valley, McCoy, Woodburn, Aurora, Ore.; Newark, Cal.; H. R. '04, Pby. Willamette; pres. Sumner Acad., '83-86; prin. Pendleton Acad., '94-96; m. Dec. 24, '68, Julia Brace Patch, Ontario, Ind.

McNary, Wm. Pollock; b. Sept. 16, 1839, Canonsburg, Pa.; s. Wm. H. and Margaret Murray; gr. Jeff. C., '61, Xenia T. S. '65; lic. Mar. '65, Pby. Xenia; ord. Dec. 8, '66, Pby. Kansas; p. Leavenworth, Kans., '66-69; Bloomington, Ind., '70-84; Jordan's Grove, Ill., '85-86; Tarkio, Mo., '86-99; Creston, Ia., '05-07; org. U. P. church, Torrington, Wyo., '07; pres. Board of Trustees, Tarkio College, 12 years, and fin. ag., '03-05; two and a half years in the Army of the Potomac and participated in nine battles; D. D. Westm. C.; m. Sept. 27, '67, Elizabeth Graham, Wilkinsburg, Pa.; m. Mar. 26, '07, Margaret Wilson, Bloomington, Ind.

McNair, Lindsay Evander; b. Nov. 17, 1871, Jackson, Tenn.; s. Evander and Jennie Stodghill; gr. Wm.

Jewell C., '89, (Un. T. S. (Va.) '92-4), Louisville, T. S., '95; lic. June 15, '94, ord. June 15, '95, Pby. Upper Missouri; serv. Barnesville, Platte City, Weston, Gower, Stewartsville, Pleasant Hill, Mo.; Victor, Colo.; '98-01; St. Joseph-Second, Mo., '01-07; Memphis-Alabama St., Tenn., '08—; chan. Highland U., '07-8; D. D., High. U., '08; m. Dec. 31, '95, Emma C. Wilson, Louisville, Ky.

McNair, Evander; b. Robeson Co., N. C.; gr. Centre C., '57, Danv. T. S., '60; lic. April, '59, Pby. Transylvania; ord. June, '61, Pby. Louisiana; ch. C. S. A., '62; p. Jackson, Tenn., '65-79; Liberty, '80-88; Lathrop, '88-90; Richmond, '90-93; Lawson, '94-96; Gallatin, Mo., '96-7; Independence, Colo.; res. Monroe City, Mo.; M. A., '92; D. D., '95; Ph. D., '96, Centre College.

McPherson, Samuel A.; b. Mar. 20, 1849, Brazeau, Mo.; s. Archibald M. and S. Malvina Stevenson; st. Trinity U., '75, theol. Morgan Park; lic. April, '74, Pby. Red Oak; ord. Sept., '77, Pby. Oazrk (C. P.); hm. Barton, Dade and Vernon counties, '77-80; miss. to Choctaws and Chickasaws; hm. Bond and Montgomery Cos., Ill.; Franklin, Crawford, Randolph, Linn, Livingston, Daviess Cos., Mo.; Ellis McLennan Cos., Tex.; m. Mar. 7, '76, Addie Brewer, Dade Co., Mo.

McRuer, Duncan (Sen.); b. Feb. 8, 1824, Lachute, Quebec; s. John and Mary McIntyre; gr. Knox C., Toronto; st. theol. Drs. Willis and Burnes, Knox. C.; ord. Pby. Brantford; serv. Paris, Ayr, Ont.; Knox, Martinsville, Akron, New Hampton, Mt. Zion, Mo.; org. several churches; m. 1854, Mary Torrance, Paris, Can.; d. Dec. 18, '86, Gentry, Mo.

McRuer, Duncan (Jr.); b. Sept. 13, 1864, Ayr, Ont.; s. Duncan and Mary Torrance; gr. Pk. C., '90, McC. T. S., '93; lic. April, ord. May 15, '94, Pby. Platte; p. Grant City, Mo., '93-99; Paul's Valley, Okla., '99-03; S. S. m., Pby. Ardmore, '03—; m. July 10, '95, Retha Stalder, Grant City, Mo.

Meyer, Wm.; b. Mar. 7, 1849, Iowa and Sac Mission, Kans.; s. John and Mary Schorb; gr. Witt. C., '75, Un. T. S., '78; lic. and ord. May, '78, Pby. Dayton; org. and sup. Phoenix, Ariz., '78-81; Grant City and Knox, Mo., '81-5; Oelwein, Ia.; p. Edina (2 yrs.), Green City (3 yrs.), Mo.; org. and sup. Tecumseh, Okla., '91-9; hm. Bethesda, Herron, Rock Creek, Jones City, Okla.; p. m. Pby. Oklahoma.

Miller, George; b. Sept. 3, 1834, Chester, S. C.; s. Robert H. and Susanna McAliley; gr. Centre C., '57, Danv. T. S., '60; lic. April, '59, Pby. Transylvania; ord. Nov. 2, '60, Pby. Lafayette; serv. Pleasant Hill, Mo., '60-62 and '65-67; Kansas City-First, 62-64; inv. 3 years; org. and sup. Raymore and Greenwood, '70-76; p. Oregon and New Point, '76-81; St. Joseph-Second, '81-83; Nevada, '83-88; Tarkio, '88-93; Chillicothe, '93-97; Cameron, Mo.; D. D., May, '92, High. U.; au. "Missouri's Memorable Decade"; m. '63, Mary Hockaday, Pleasant Hill, Mo.; d. Jan. 11, 1900, Kansas City, Mo.

Mitchell, Geo. Albert; b. Benton, Ill.; s. James and Sarah Hurst; gr. Lake For. C., '86, McC. T. S., '89; lic. April, '89, Pby. Chicago; ord. '89, Pby. Freeport; st. Edinburgh and Berlin; ss. Hanover, Ill.; p. Chicago-Calvary; ev. work three years; Albany, Mo., '08—; m. Feb. 26, '02, Jessie M. Strang.

Moore, Jeremiah; b. Home, Tenn.; s. Anthony and Nancy Paxton Holt; gr. Gr. and Tusc. C., '71, Lane T. S., '74; lic. Sept. 3, '73, ord. Sept., '74, Pby. Holston; hm. Elizabethton, Amity, Timber Ridge, Mt. Bethel, Oakland, Tenn.; Manchester, '02-05, Hyden, Ky., '05-07; Maitland and Graham, Mo., '07—; pres. Gr. and Tusculum C., May, '83-01; prin. Manchester Acad., '02-05; supt. mission work, Hyden, '05-07; Com. Gen. Ass., '78, '83, '92 and '01; D. D., Gr. and Tusc. C.; m. Dec. 10, '74, Belle R. Mathes, Washington, Tenn.

Moore, John Morrison; b. Washington Co., Pa.; s. Joseph and Eliza Glenn; gr. Jeff. C.; st. theol. Rev.

Moses Allen; lic. Oct. 23, 1827, Pby. Pittsburg; ord. June 18, '28, Pby. Ohio; serv. Cross Creek, Mt. Prospect, Pa.; Yellow Creek, O.; many feeble churches in O. and Pa.; Parkville, Mo., '67-70; D. D., Franklin C.; m. Jan. 10, '28, Rosanna Donnell, Allegheny Co., Pa.; m. Mar. 19, '60, Nancy Fraser, Wellsville, O.; d. Aug. 19, '70, Parkville, Mo.

Morrison, James McCalmont; b. July 21, 1832, Coleraine, Pa.; s. Alex. Wilson and Margaret McCalmont; gr. Del. C., '56, Prin. T. S., '61; lic. June 4, '61, Pby. Donegal; ord. April 6, '76, Pby. Platte; serv. Upper West Nottingham, Pa.; Rockport, 69-72, Union and King City, Mo., '72-76; Shenandoah and Riverside, '77-80, College Springs and Blanchard, Ia., '80-84; Weston, '84-86; Grass Valley, '86-93, Monkland and Moro, Ore., '93-00; ev. and H. R., Pby. Pendleton; org. Rockport, Mo., Monkland, Moro, Ore.; prin. Spring Run Acad., Pa., '64-66; prin. Female Sem., Newburg, Pa., '66-68, tea. Oregon, Mo., '68-72; A. M., '59, Indiana State U.; m. Nov. 18, '62, Nancy Bailey, Baileyville, Pa.

Mullendore, Geo. Decatur; b. Dec. 26, 1860, Leavenworth Co., Kans.; s. Jerome and Kathryne Wurtz; gr. S. W. State Normal, Pa., '91, Lebanon T. S., '93; lic. Sept., '88, Pby. Platte (C. P.); ord. April 9, '93, Pby. Lebanon; serv. Coffeen, Palmer, Ill.; Cayuga, Ind.; Lerna, Ill.; Kansas City—First C. P., Kans., (5 yrs.); Oak Grove, Mo.; Pleasant Valley, Kans.; West Union, Harmony, Coal Center, Pa.; p. Frankford; m. April 12, '06, Miss Blanche McVay, Prosperity, Pa.

Newell, Geo. Edwards; b. Mar. 23, 1877, Chester, Pa.; s. Wm. and Kate Edwards; gr. Pk. C., '04, Aub. T. S., '07; lic. May 29, '06, Pby. Platte; ord. June, '07, Pby. St. Joseph; p. King City, Mo., '07—; m. Aug. 22, '06, Agnes Lasley, Raymore, Mo.

Palmer, Edmund Marion; b. May 2, 1832, Mason Co., Ky.; s. Philip and Ann A. Ivens; st. Westm. C.; tea. Fulton, Mo.; ord. Sept. 19, '68, Pby. Palmyra; p. La Belle, Philadelphia, Olivet, Mo.; helper Park College

Family, '79—; serv. Parkville, Platte City, Weston, Dawn, Mo.; ev. and colporteur; m. Sept. 11, '56, Miss Eliza Bailey, Mexico, Mo.; d. Feb. 1, '92, Parkville, Mo.

Perry, Wm. O. H.; b. Feb. 11, 1838, Lake Co., O.; s. Wm. C. and Eliza Brown; gr. McGee C., '60; lic. Oct. 1, '59, ord. Oct. 1, '64, Pby. Platte (C. P.); serv. Concord, Stewartsville, Weatherby, Osborn, Easton, Mo.; Union, Dunbar, Nebr.; Columbus, Lexington, Irwin, Preston, Mo.; Palmyra, Nebr., '08—; pres. Stewartsville C., '63-87, Odessa C., '87-88; A. M., '65, McGee C.; m. Mar. 2, '62, Lizzie Ozenberger, Clinton Co., Mo.

Pringle, Alex.; b. July 1, 1869, Co. Meath, Ireland; s. Joseph and Miss. Rountree; gr. Pk. C., '97, Prin. T. S., '00; lic. May 11, ord. May 13, '00, Pby. Platte; hm. San Coulee, p. Kalispell, Mont., '01-06; Juneau, Alaska, '06-08; Leadville, Colo., '08—; M. A., '00, Prin. U.; m. June 8, '04, Effie B. James, Warsaw, Ind.

Reed, James; b. Nov. 27, 1834, Buffalo, Pa.; s. Samuel and Mary Ann Vincent; gr. Wash. C., '61, Wn. T. S., '67; lic. Oct. 3, '66, Pby. Washington; ord. April 5, '72, Pby. Palmyra; serv. Millwood and Mt. Pleasant O., '67-70; Coloma, Ebenezer, Laclede (10 yrs.), Grantsville, Bethel, Avalon and Dawn (3 yrs.), Savannah (6 yrs.), Rosendale, Hackberry, Craig and Fairfax (3 yrs.), Union Star, Union and Barnard (4 yrs.), Cowgill, Polo and Dawn (4 yrs.), New Hampton, Martinsville and Akron (4 yrs.), Mo.; H. R., '05, Pby. Platte; Com. Gen. Ass., twice; tea., '61-64; org. Bethel and Wheeling churches; m. May 20, '68, Eliza J. McWilliams, Monroe, Pa.; m. Feb. 22, '93, Mrs. Laura V. Compton, Savannah, Mo.

Reynolds, Albert Melville; b. Feb. 19, 1844, Richmond Co., Va.; s. James and Elsie Davis; st. Blkb. U., '69-72, Blkb. T. S., '72-74, Lane T. S., '75; lic. April, ord. Nov. 2, '75, Pby. Dayton; ss. Easton, Willow Brook, Mo., '73, '74; p. Blue Ball, O. (4 yrs.); Spring Hill (5 yrs.), Oskaloosa, Columbus (2 yrs.), Kans.; La Grande, Ore; Maryville, Mo. (4 yrs.); Denison, Tex.;

Oskaloosa (2 yrs.), Topeka-Wesminster, Kans., '97-05; St. Joseph-Third St., Mo., '05-07; inv. '07—; member Sixth Kans. Vol. Cavalry; m. Aug. 3, '75, dau. Logan Maxwell, Oak Grove, Mo.

Roberts, Thomas D.; b. July 7, 1844, Carrollton, O.; s. James and Mary J. McLain; st. Lenox C., High. U., Pk. C.; theol. Rev. John A. McAfee; lic. April, '76, ord. April 25, '77, Pby. Platte; p. St. Joseph-Third St. (4 yrs.), Savannah (2 yrs.), Oregon and New Point (11 yrs.), St. Joseph-Third St. (7 yrs.), New Point, Mo., '06—; ev. '01-05; volunteer U. S. Army, '62-66; m. May 19, '71, Miss Emma Mathes, Leon, Ia.

Rogers, Henry Martyn; b. Oct. 3, 1852, Rockville, Ind.; s. James S. and Jane Snodgrass; gr. Wab. C.,'75, Dant. T. S., '80; lic. April, '78, Pby. Austin; ord. April 25, '81, Pby. Ebenezer; serv. Valley Creek, Tex., '78-9; p. Mt. Sterling, Ky., '80-2; Lockland, O., '82-3; Hamilton, Mo., '93-7; Dayton, Ind., '87-98; Frankfort, O., '98-00; Norman, Okla., '01-03; Rossville, '03-07, Vincennes, Ind., '07—; m. Oct. 3, '82, Miss Alma G. Smith, Richmond, Ky.

Sawyers, Henry A.; b. Feb. 22, 1859, New Castle, O.; s. Wm. O. and Agnes Kirker; gr. Frank. C., '93, Lane T. S., '86; lic. April 29, '85, Pby. St. Clairsville; ord. Sept. 27, '86, Pby. Ft. Wayne; p. Auburn and Waterloo, Ind., '86-90; Cameron, '90-94, Oregon, '94-03, St. Joseph-Hope, Mo., '03—; au. "Series of Sermons on Baptism"; m. Sept. 2, '86, Miss Martha E. Scott, Maryville, Mo.

Schell, Ulysses Grant; b. Jan. 12, 1864, Deer Creek, Ind., s. Jacob and Eliz. Zeller; gr. Pars. C., '89, McC. T. S., '92; lic. May. 21, '91, Pby. Platte; ord. June 24. '92, Pby. Waterloo; p. Greene, Ia., '92; Unionville, Mo., '92-98; Marysville, Kans., '98-00; White, S. D., '00-03; St. Joseph-Third St., '03-04; Union Star and Empire Prairie, Mo., '04-08; Raymond, Nebr., '08—; Com. Gen. Ass., '96; D. D., York C., '99, Ph. D., Woos. U., '00; m. Sept. 14, '98, Hattie Orr, Mt. Vernon, Mo.

Schock, Lafayette Henry; b. July 24, 1872, Tiffin,O.; s. Henry M. and Sarah Dryfuse; gr. Woos. U., '92 (Prin. T. S. 2 yrs.), McC. T. S., '95; lic. May 14, '94, Pby. Philadelphia; ord. Sept. 27, '95, Pby. Platte; serv. Breckenridge and New York Settlement (2 yrs.), St. Louis-Covenant, Lathrop, Mo.; Virden (5 yrs.), Tolono, Ill., '08—; m. June 6, '00, Miss Stella Beardslee, Carlinville, Ill.

Scott, Winfield Thacker; b. April 18, 1852, New Boston, O.; s. Joseph and Maria Thacker; gr. Pk. C., '79, Lane T. S., '82; lic. April, '82, ord. April 12, '83, Pby. Platte; serv. Mirabile, Lincoln, Kingston, Lathrop, Laclede, Bethel, Grantsville, Trinity, Mo., '82-85; Bennington, Kans., '85-89; hm. Weston, Athena, Milton, Helix, Zena, McCoy, Oak Grove, Cleone-Smith Memorial (17 yrs.), Bridalveil Falls, Latourell Falls, Spring Valley, Whiteson, Ore., '90—; m. June 21, '82, Mary B. Higgins, Kingston, Mo.

Sherwood, Elisha Barber; b. April 15, 1810, Fairfield, Vt.; s. John and Lucy Barber; st. Lane T. S. (1 yr.), gr. Oberlin T. S., '36; ord. Sept. 18, '36, W. Reserve Cong. Assn.; p. Wilson, N. Y., (4 yrs.); p. m. Pby. Niagara (5 yrs.); p. Liverpool, Pitcher, N. Y.; Edwardsburg, Cassopolis, Mich.; p. m. Pby. Platte, '65—; D. D., Pk. C. and High. U.; au. "Fifty Years on the Skirmish Line"; m. Jan. 3, '37, Miss Aurelia M. Baldwin, Darien, N. Y.; m. July 25, '84, Mrs. Susan B. Butler, Youngstown, N. Y.; d. Aug. 15, 1905.

Shields, James H.; b. Freeport, Pa.; s. James and Abigail Redick; gr. W. & J. C., '69, Wn. T. S., '72; lic. May 21, '71, Pby. Butler; ord. June 8, '72, Pby. Bellefontaine; p. Crestline, O. (4 yrs.); St. Louis-Carondelet (5 yrs.), St. Louis-Cote Brilliant (5 yrs.), Mo.; Ogden, Utah, '90-91; Madisonville, Concord, O., '91-97; Decatur, Mich., '97-8; Chillicothe, Cameron, Mo., '98-04; Spokane-Fifth, Wash., '04—; D. D., Westm. C. and Mi. U.

Smith, Arnold; b. July 19, 1876, Edzell, Scotland; s. Rev. Christopher and Mary Cudworth; gr. Pk. C.,'03,

Aub. T. S., 06; lic. and ord. June 17, '06, Pby. Platte; fm. Anasco, Aguadilla, Porto Rico, '06—; m. Aug. 3, '06, Bertha Isabel Leland, Seneca Falls, N. Y.

Smith, Henry (Hal) Franklin; b. Oct. 15, 1853, Collinsville, Ala.; s. James W. L. and Nancy L. McNairon; gr. North Ala. C., '81; B. D., '87; lic. '77, ord. '79, Pby. Talladega; tea. in Georgia, '82-86; serv. Newburgh, Ind., '87-91; Kansas City-Westport Ave. (C. P.), '91-93; Gallatin, Mo. (10 yrs.); Topeka, Kans. (3 yrs.); Tyler, Tex., '07—.

Smith, James Aikin; b. Oct. 5, 1870, Garnett, Kans.; s. John A. and Margaret A. Aikin; gr. Ohio Normal U., '94, McC. T. S., '97; ord. April 14, '97, Pby. Lima; hm. Reading, Bloomington, Streator, Ansable Grove, Ill., '97-00; p. Kirksville, Parkville, Mo., '00-02; Cincinnati-Sixth, O., '02-08; Marion, Ia., '08—; m. Oct. 20, '97, Miss Clara Timmons, Clarksburg, O.

Smith, Jesse S.; b. Aug. 28, 1876, Coffeyville, Kans.; s. Rev. Benj. F. Smith; gr. Pk. C., '00, McC. T. S., '03; lic. and ord. April 15, '03, Pby. Platte; fm Copiapo, Chile, '03—; m. '03, Miss Bessie May Chambers, Hopeville, Ia.

Sproule, Geo. B.; b. Jefferson, Co., O.; st. High. U., McC. T. S., Lane T. S.; serv. Plainville, Kans.; '86-90; Creighton, Appleton City, Brownington, Deepwater (5 yrs.), Sharon, Drexel (5 yrs.), Mo.; Mammoth Springs, Ark.; McFall (3 yrs.), Lock Spring, Mo., '08—.

Strange, Ferdinand Gresham; b. Sept. 28, 1848, Chattanooga Co.,Ga.; s. John A. and Fidella Gresham; gr. Blkb. U., '72; st. Blkb. T. S. and Lane T. S., '73-75; lic. April 11, ord. Nov. 15, '74, Pby. Alton; p. Carlyle, Ill. (3 yrs.); King City and Empire Prairie (3 yrs.), Mo.; Hiawatha, Kans. (3 yrs.); Seattle-First, Wash. (4 yrs.); Ashland, Ore. (15 yrs.); hm. Marshfield, Ore., Kent, Renton, Sedro-Woolley, Wash., '06—; D. D. Whit-

worth C., '04, A. M. Blkb. U., '76; m. June 15, '71, Sarah A. Robinson, Reno, Ill.; m. Nov. 7, '77, Sarah Naomi Van der Veer, King City, Mo.

Sutcliffe, Bernard Bliss; b. Nov. 6, 1872, Halifax, N. S.; s. Edward Walton and Mary Ann Miller; electrical engineer for years; gr. McGill C.; st. Moody's Bible Institute; lic. April 24, ord. May 9, '06, Pby. Upper Missouri; p. St. Joseph-Hyde Park, Mo., '06—; m. June 1, '06, Miss E. Franc Anderson, Inwood, Ia.

Sydenstricker, Hiram Mason; b. Sept. 26, 1848, Lewisburg, W. Va.; s. Andrew and Frances Coffman; gr. Wash. and Lee U., '77, Un. T. S. (Va.), '80; lic. June, '79, Pby. Greenbrier; ord. April 12, '81, Pby. St. Louis (U. S.); p. Water Valley, Miss. (4 yrs.); Pleasant Hill (2 yrs.), Hamilton, Mo. (3 yrs.); syn. ev. Synod, Texas; syn. ev. Syn. Nashville; p. Brownwood, Tex.; Corinth, West Point, Miss.; prof. philosophy and Mod. Lang., Daniel Baker C.; A. M. and Ph. D., Woos. U.

Symonds, Earnest W.; b. Jan. 1, 1858, England; s. Matthew and Elizabeth Jenman; st. '78-81; tea. in Iowa 13 years; gr. Oma. T. S., '94; lic. April 24, ord. May 3, '94, Pby. Platte; serv. Barnard, Graham, Hopkins, Mo., '90--92; Marne, Ia., '92-94; p. St. Joseph-Hope, Mo., (8 yrs.); Chicago-Immanuel, '02—; m. Nov. 27, '88, Miss Martha Mary Wilson, Massena, Ia.

Tatum, Nuburn McAdow; b. Mar. 27, 1876, Woodbury, Tenn.; s. Rev. A. C. and———— McAdow; tea. Woodville, Milan, Tenn.; gr. Southern Normal U., '00; lic. '01, Pby. Obion; ord. '02, Pby. Hopewell; serv. Flippin, Davidson's Chapel, Medina, Tenn.; Newman, Cal.; Memphis-Central, Tenn.; Hopewell, Lockspring (3 yrs.), Prairie Valley, Centerview, Mo.; m. June 30, '05, Miss Edna Sweet, Stanton, Tenn.

Taylor, Hugh; b. Aug. 9, 1862, Iowa City, Ia.; s. Hugh and Jane Windrem; gr. Pk, C., '85, Prin. T. S., '88; lic. July 10, ord. Aug. 5, '88, Pby. Platte; fm. Laos, Siam, '88—; A. M., '88, D. D., '01, Park C.; m. July 26, '88, Dora Belle Martin, Crawfordsville, Ind.

Teis, Edward Barth; b. Oct. 17, 1866, Buffalo, N. Y.; s. Peter George and Rosina Barth; st. Pk. C., gr. Prin. T. S., '93 (p. g. '94-5); lic. Oct. 14, ord. Oct. 15, '93, Pby. Kendall; serv. Soda Springs, Ida.; Joplin (Cong. ch.), Platte City and Weston (2 yrs.), Mo.; Columbus, Kans.; Anadarko, Okla.; p. ev. Pby. El Reno, '08—; m. June 30, '96, Mary Alma Hunter, Gallatin, Mo.

Terhune, Thomas Barnett; b. Mar. 16, 1870, Perryville, Ky.; s. Barnett and Sarah E. Ewing (niece of Finis Ewing); gr. Centre C., '90, McC. T. S., '93; lic. and ord. June 24, '92, Pby. Rock River; ss. Beulah, Ill., '91-2; p. Moberly-First (3 yrs.), Lathrop (3 yrs.), Mo.; hm. North Jellico, Boyle, Pittsburg, Barboursville, Bradfordsville, Ky. (6 yrs.); p. Huntington, Ind. '05—; m. May 24, '92, Miss Abigail E. Prine, Lebanon, Ky.

Tharp, James Henry; b. Jan. 4, 1847, Linn Co., Mo.; s. James and ——— Hughes; gr. McGee C., '70; st. theol. Dr J. B. Mitchell (pres. McGee C.); lic. Mar., '68, ord. Oct. 2, '70, Pby. Chillicothe; tea. and hm., '70-75; p. Gallatin (8 yrs.), Albany (4 yrs.), King City (7 yrs.), Odessa (4 yrs.), Mo.; syn. m. Synod Missouri (5 yrs.); hm. near Odessa (3 yrs.), near St. Joseph (2 yrs.); p. Gallatin, Mo., '70—; m. July 5, '71, Mary F. Jeter, Chillicothe, Mo.

Thompson, Francis E.; b. May 3, 1849, New Wilmington, Pa.; s. James M. and Sarah J. Porter; gr. Westm. C. (U. P.), '70, Wn. T. S., '73; lic. April 4. '72, Pby. Shenango; ord. June 25, '73, Pby. Kittanning; p. Concord and Mahoning (4 yrs.), Pa.; inv. one year; Fairmount (1 yr.), Marysville, Kans. (3 yrs.); King City, Empire Prairie, Gallatin, Bethel, Jameson, Mo., '82-86; Cawker City (7 yrs.), Mankato (4 yrs.), Wilson (4 yrs.), Kans.; St. Edwards (4 yrs.), Niobrara and Anoka, Nebr., '05—; m. June 6, '70, Margaret E. Steen, New Wilmington, Pa.

Townsend, Richard Cameron; b. June 13, 1854. North Washington, Pa.; s. Wm. H. and Hannah E. Van Sant; st. Pk. C., '81 and '82; gr. Aub. T. S., '85; tea.

Pa. and Kans., '71-81; lic. April 16, '85, Pby. Cayuga; ord. Sept. 30, '85, Pby. Alton; p. Staunton (3 yrs.), Raymond, Ill.; Tipton, Ia. (4 yrs.); Maryville-Second, Mo., '92-3; Stillwater, Okla. (2 yrs); p. m. Pby. Oklahoma; Dunlap and Alta (8 yrs.), Oswego (2 yrs.), Carterville and Herrin, Ill.; Middle Sandy and Hanoverton, O., '07—; m. June 14, '87, Miss Rebekah E. Jacke, Lawrence, Kans.

Waits, Edward Wallace; b. 1855, Cambridge, Eng.; s. Edward and Suzanna Wallace; gr. Jesus C., Cambridge; st. Edinburg U. and Berlin; theol. Free Church Theological Hall, Glasgow, and Theo. Hall, Can.; gr. '73; lic. May, ord. June 13, '73, Pby. Hamilton, Ont.; p. Waterdown, '73-77, Stratford, Ont., '77-81; Miramichi-St. Andrews, N. B., '81-88; Owen Sound, Ont., '88-02; Glasgow and Frazerborough, Scotland, '02-05; Cameron, 05-08, Mound City, Mo.; Granite City, Ill., '09; B. Sc. Berlin, U., D. Sc., Chicago, U.; m. Mary Buchan, Aberdeen, Scotland; m. Nellie Grant, Glengarry, Ont.

Walton, James M.; b. Barboursville, Ky.; s. William Isaac and Rhoda Hudson; gr. Centre C., '88 (A. M., '93), Danv. T. S., '90; lic. April 8, ord. May 24, '90, Pby. Transylvania; p. Greensburg (6 yrs.), Livingston (2 yrs.), Hyden (4 yrs.), Ky.; Salem (2 yrs.), Shannondale, Tenn. (2 yrs); syn. ev. Syn. Kentucky; p. Oregon, Mo., '07—; prin. Coll. Institute, Mt. Vernon, and Hyden Acad., Ky.; A. M., '92, Centre C.; m. Oct. 12, '96, Miss Nellie Sambrook.

Ware, Samuel Miller; b. Aug. 28, 1852, Richmond, Ky.; s. Samuel C. and Sarah A. Miller; gr. Ill. Wesl. U., '79 (A. M., '82), McC. T. S., '84; tea. Tuscola, Ill., '79-81; ord. May 6, '84, Pby. St. Louis; p. Ferguson (3 yrs.), Clinton (3 yrs.), Mo.; Omaha-Second (8 yrs), Nebr.; Maryville, Mo., '98-02; Spokane-Fourth, Wash., '02—; memb. Board Trustees Omaha U. and T. S.; D. D., '92, Oma. U.

Watson, Robert A.; b. Athens, N. Y.; gr. Scio C., '71 (M. A., '80), Wn. T. S., '74; lic. '73, Pby. Steubenville; ord. '74, Pby. Wooster; p. Shreve (3 yrs.), West Rushville (7 yrs.), Radnor (3 yrs.), Eckmansville and Mt. Leigh (6 yrs.), Montgomery, O., '96-7; Fairfax, Mo., '02-05; ev. and hm., '97—; D. D., 1891; m. Miss Jennie Shields, Blairsville, Pa.

Weaver, James Henry; b. Dec. 15, 1848, Hardiman Co., Tenn.; s. John Henson and Matilda Collie; gr. S. W. Pbn. U., '76, Un. T. S. (Va.), '79; lic. April and ord. Oct., '79, Pby. Memphis; p. Atoka and Big Creek (6 yrs.), Mason and Center (3 yrs.), Tenn.; Jeffersontown, and Beulah (4 yrs.), Campbellsville and Bethel (6 yrs.), Ky.; hm. Smyrna, Graham, Monroe, '98-04, p. Brownstown (4 yrs.), Ind.; Breckenridge and N. Y. Settlement, '08—; m. June, '76, Tipton Co., Tenn.

West, Donald Sloan; b. June 15, 1873, Wanganui, New Zealand; s. Rev. William and Elizabeth Wales; st. Canterbury C. and Otego U.; Theological Hall, Dunedin, '01; tea. for several years previous; hm. Dannevirke, '95-6, Wellington-St. Andrews (asst.), summer '96 and '97, Patea, '98-9, Cheviot, '00-01; Caversham, N. Z., '01-02; Fairfax, Mo., '02-05; hm. Amberg, Athelstane, Pembina, Wis.; m. Dec. 31, '03, Miss Magdeline Haven, Neenah, Wis.

West, Richard Bruce; b. July 8, 1871, New Zealand; s. Rev. William and Elizabeth Wales; st. in N. Z. till '92, and Moody Bible Inst., '96; ord. Nov. 2, '97, Cong. Council in Vt.; serv. Cong. ch. Bridgewater, Vt., '97-00; St. Joseph-Faith (2 yrs.), Craig (6 yrs.), Mo.; Hamburg, Ia., '08—; m. June 10, '96, Jessie M. Kirkland.

Williams, Henry F.; b. Nov. 4, 1847, Hannibal, Mo.; s. Henry M. and Amanda M. Bird; st. while teaching; theol. Dr. James H. Brookes; lic. '79, Pby. West Texas; ord. Sept. 15, '80, Pby. Platte; ev.and Y. W. C. A. Sec., 3 years; International Sec. Y. M. C. A., N. Y. City, 12 years; p. St. Louis-Ch. of Covenant (7 yrs.),

Mo.; Editor publications For. Miss. Executive Com. (U. S.), Nashville, Tenn.; m. Nov. 26, '68, Miss Mary E. Harpham, Havana, Ill.

Williamson, George H.; b. July 11, 1840, Bedford, N. Y.; s. Francis A. and Cornelia ————————; st. Amenia Sem., Troy U., N. Y. U. (8 yrs.), Burlington T. S.; ord. Sept. 5, '69, Bp. Geo. F. Pierce (P. E.), St. Louis, Mo.; miss. among Cherokees, supt. Orphan Asylum, pres. Tahlequah C. (4 yrs.), and other school work; recd. by Pby. Ozark, '81; hm. and p., Ash Grove, Cameron, Carthage, Fairplay, Fordland, Green City, Greenfield (3 yrs.), Golden City, Hamilton (twice), Irwin, Jefferson City (2 yrs.), Joplin (twice), Kirksville, Lockwood, Millard, Monett (twice), Mt. Vernon (2 yrs.), Ozark Prairie (8 yrs.), St. Joseph-Third St., St. Louis-McCansland Ave., Trenton-Hodge, West Plains (2 yrs.), White Oak, Mo.; built ten churches in Mo., besides manses.

Willis, William James; b. April, 1871, Wayland Springs, Tenn.; s. J. V. and E. A. Williams; st. Cumberland U.; gr. C. U. V., '01; lic. Sept. 15, '94, Pby. Richland; ord. Mar. 6, '01, Pby. Lebanon; p. Nashville-Watkins Park, Tenn.; Sheffield, Ala.; Bethany, Mo.; Siloam Springs-First, Ark.; Huntingdon and Trezevant, Tenn., '09—; S. C. and treas. Pby. Arkansas.

Wilson, John; b. June 26, 1843, Bridgenorth, Shropshire, Eng.; s. Daniel and Elizabeth Collins; gr. High. U., '72; theol. Dr. John A. McAfee; lic. April 3, '73, ord. April 15, '74, Pby. Highland; hm. and p. Frankfort (3 yrs.), Vermillion, Irving and Beloit (3 yrs.), Glen Elder, Oberlin (11 yrs.), Norton, Clayton, Colby, Oakley, Phillipsburg, Kans., '73-91; Lathrop and Mirabile (2 yrs.), Mo.; p. m. Pby. Platte, '93-98; hm. Huntington, Nephi, Payson, Utah, '98-02; Osceola, Vista, Raymore, Willow Springs, Mo., '02-08; Garden Grove and Leroy, Ia., '08—; org. 4 chs. in Kans.; S. C., Pby. Osborne, '83-91, Pby. Utah, '99-02, Syn. Utah, '01-02; Mod. Syn. Kansas, '87; U. S. Army, '61-65; m. Oct. 30, '66, Miss Rachel S. Whitehead, Macon, Mo.

Wilson, Samuel Fackler; b. Nov. 2, 1855, Greenfield, Mo.; s. A. M. and R. M. Tarbet; st. High. U. and Pk. C., '72-78; tea. in Kans., 2 years; 8 years in railroad service; lic. Oct., '88, ord. Nov., '90, Eastern Cong Assn.; serv. Tonganoxie and North Lawrence (5 yrs.), Kans.; Wymore, Table Rock, Beatrice-Second (2 yrs.), Nebr.; Oskaloosa (2 yrs.), Kans.; Oak Grove and Easton, Mo.; sec. Park College, 8 years; p. Chickasha-First, Okla., '08—; m. Aug. 19, '80, Miss M. E. Smith, Lenexa, Kans.

Wolfe, Austin Dickinson; b. Jan. 4, 1861, Montclair, N. J.; s. Aaron Robarts and Laura F. Jackson; merc. bus., '78-84; gr. N. Y. U., '87, Un. T. S., '90; lic. April 6, '90, Pby. Newark; ord June 12, '90, Pby. Waterloo; p. State Center, Ia. (4 yrs.); Seward, Nebr., '94-6; Avalon (2 yrs.), Mound City, Mo., '98-01; libr. Park C., '01—; pres. Avalon C. (Acad.), '96-98; m. April 29, '90, Cornelia S. Weitzel, Scranton, Pa.

Woodward, George S.; b. Oct. 18, 1819, Gardiner, Me.; gr. Bowd. C., '44; tea. West Chester, Pa., four years and st. theol. Dr. John Crowell; lic. '47, Pby. Philadelphia; ord. '49, Pby. Missouri; p. Parkville, Mo., '49-63; Leavenworth-First, Kans., '63-67, when throat trouble compelled resignation; insurance bus. till his death, April 1, 1892.

Wright, John.; b. Feb. 9, 1876, Ellendale, N. D.; s. Alex. Wright; gr. Pk. C., '03, Prin. T. S., '06; lic. and ord. June 17, '06, Pby. Platte; fm. Libreville, Gaboon, West Africa, '06—; m. Miss Una Van Alen, Gresham, Nebr.

Wright, Wiley K.; b. Sept. 23, 1856, St. Peter, Minn.; s. Newell K. and Mary J. Hunter; gr. Knox C., '79, Un. T. S., '82 (McC. T. S., '79-80); lic. May, '81, Pby. Peoria; ord. May 16, '82, Pby. Logansport; p. Mishawaka, Ind., '82-92; Petoskey (3 yrs.), Traverse City, Mich., '95-04; Trenton-Hodge (2 yrs.), Mo.; Holly, Colo., '07—; S. C., Pby. Logansport, '86-92, Pby.

Petoskey, '92-04; Mod. Syn. Michigan, '97-98; A. M., '82, Knox. C.; m. May 11, '82, Sarah D. Bateman, Galesburg, Ill.

Young, John Newton; b. June 12, 1828; Hawkins Co., Tenn.; s. Arthur G. and Elizabeth McChesney; gr. Jeff. C., '52; st. New Albany T. S., Prin. T. S. and Danv. T. S.; lic. '54, Pby. Transylvania; ord. Nov. 16, '56, Pby. Upper Missouri; hm. Albany (6 yrs.), Sampson Creek, Union (6 yrs.), Fillmore (6 yrs.), Mo.; Salem (4 yrs.), Nebr.; Clinton, Marion, Kans., '74-76; Neosho, Mo.; Altamont, Edna, Mound Valley, Ripon, Kans., '77-88; Graham and Mizpah, Mo.; ev. and H. R., '91—; org. Empire Prairie; memb. State Senate, '65-67; m. Sept. 9, '56, Miss Jane Patterson, Lafayette Co., Mo.

Young, John N. Jr.; b. July 1, 1867, Fillmore, Mo.; s. John Newton and Jane Patterson; gr. Pk. C., '88, Prin. T. S., '91; lic. and ord. May 20, '91, Pby. Platte; fm. Peking, China, '91-93; d. Feb. 18, '93, Peking, China.

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